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Lynette Thibaut was presented the County of Hastings Award by Gwyn Thompson, Director of Accounting Services, at the College's Undergraduate Awards Reception held in November at Loyalist. Lynette is a first-year accounting student at the College.

Centre Hastings Grizzlies hockey

Centre Hastings Grizzlies By Barb Stevens
NOVICE - On Feb 22nd the Novices hosted Dourou in game one of the Hastings Cup. Dourou was a little stronger team and defeated the Grizzlies 10-1. A nice goal was scored by Jordan Graham from a nice pass from Isaac Shin.

ATOM - The Atoms have been busy lately in the Hastings Cup. On Feb. 16th Colborne travelled to Marmora to challenge the Grizzlies. Centre Hastings teammate James Denny dominated the game by scoring 5 out of the 6 winning goals. Next the Grizzlies played host to the 16th Adams with 3 assists. Nicholas Ferguson won an assist. The 6th goal was scored by Mark Thompson unassisted. The Grizzlies celebrated their 6-3 victory win. Next the Grizzlies played host to the North Frontenac Flyers. It was a

close game with North Frontenac pulling ahead to win 5-4. Centre Hastings goals scored by Mark Thompson assisted by James Denny and James Denny with a "Hat Trick" assisted by Brandon Danford and Tyler Derrett. On Saturday Feb. 22nd the Atoms hosted their home tournament in Marmora and had a very successful day. The 1st game they played All Saints (Peterborough) and were defeated 7-6 in a very close game.

Grizzlie goals were scored by James Denny (5) and Brandon Danford assisted by Mark Thompson & Mackenzie Smith. Game #2 Centre Hastings defeated Havellock 4-3 with Brandon Danford scoring the overtime winning goal. Grizzlie goals scored by Mackenzie Smith, Mark Thompson, Brandon Danford 2 goals 1 assist and the other hand earned assists by Brady Maguire & James Denny. Game #3 was for the

"B" Championship which Centre Hastings had the victory over the Peterborough Nationals 6-3. In this exciting game Brandon Danford scored 2 goals 2 assists, James Denny 3 goals 2 assists, Tyler Derrett with a nice goal and assist and a nice assist from Mark Thompson. Also, Centre Hastings was on top when Mark Thompson won the Shoot Out and Trevor Kemp won for the hottest goalie.

PEE WEE - On Feb. 21st the Grizzlies played host to Rice Lake in Madoc. The crowd was kept on the edge of their seats with lots of end to end action. The Grizzlies fought hard right to the end but were defeated 6-5. Grizzlie goals scored by Harrison Shin with a "Hat Trick" assisted by Brimley Denny (2), Pat Cole, James Denny (short handed) and Billy Maguire assisted by Cody Wood. Excellent goaltending by Jeff Nickle who made alot of great saves.

BANTAM - The Bantams hosted Otonabee on Feb.

17th in Marmora. They played a great game but were defeated 4-3. Grizzlie goals scored by Colby Bird (2) both unassisted and Benjamin Anger assisted by Brandon Minns. Excellent goaltending again from Jeff Nickle.

MIDGET - Three Cheers for the Midgets!!! Centre Hastings Midgets sweep series with Tweed 3 straight. Game #1 they lead the series with a 3-2 win. Goals scored by George Derry assisted by Ryan Auger, Shawn Trotter assisted by Paul Hainle and Brennan Tuckett unassisted. Game #2 went back to Tweed.

Sorry folks, I don't get away game sheets for the goals and assists. Game #3 was played back in Madoc. The Midgets performed well for their audience and aimed to please with a 4-3 victory win. Centre Hastings goals scored by Paul Hainle, Ryan Auger, Shawn Trotter (2) with the nice passes coming from teammates Shawn Trotter, Chad McLean, Brennan Tuckett and George Derry (2). The Midgets now move on to play Almaguin in

Cooper Kids sweep Peterborough

By Denise Gray

The Cooper Wild Kids sweep series against Peterborough in three straight games. The Wild Kids played game 2 on Friday night at the Madoc arena. The stands were filled with cheering fans, as we followed Bruce Lee House League. The music was blaring, thanks to Lynda McCullough & Lesley Danford, great job ladies. You could feel the excitement as the girls came on the ice, ready for game 2. The pace was set by the Wild Kids midway through the first period with Brittany Gray scoring, assisted by Melissa Martin. Just 45 seconds later, Andrea McAleary, assisted by Ashley Brock, scored to take the lead 2-0 in favour of Cooper. The Peterborough team fought back, but great defensive coverage by Celeste Bonter, Bailey McCullough, Melissa Martin & Ashley Brock, and

of course great goaltending by Lindsay Black, held the Peterborough team to a 2-0 score after 2 full periods. The insurance goal came late in the third period from Brittany Gray, assisted by Lacey Burkitt.

The third game of the series was held in Ennismore on Monday night. The Wild Kids were set to sweep this series. You could hear them throughout the arena, yelling and cheering. Peterborough was fighting to stay alive, the pressure was definitely on them to win this game. With great end to end action for both teams, again great goaltending by Lindsay Black, the girls were locked at a 0-0 score at the end of 2 complete periods. The only goal of the game came early in the third period with Lacey Burkitt scoring, assisted by Brittany Gray & Kelsey Arsenault. The girls picked Lacey up and spun her around, as she scored to take the lead. The smiles on their faces as they skated past the bench swiping everyone's hand off all, we were heading for Provincials in April. The Peterborough team pulled out all the stops to try to win this game, but it was too little too late. The girls piled on top of each other, they are the Regional Champions, way to go girls... Good luck to the Provincials in April.

The Wild Kids will be hosting an exhibition game this Sunday at the Madoc arena at 5:00 p.m. so come out and check them out.

the Semi Finals.

JUVENILE - Three Cheers for the Juveniles who won their series with Creemore. In Game #3 Centre Hastings won 5-3 on their home turf. This was an exciting game with lots of action. Centre Hastings goals scored by Justin Cassidy (2), James Black, Adam Mc (sorry I couldn't read your last name), T.J. Tomlinson with the assists going out to Ryan Terrier, T.J. Tomlinson, Rob Reynolds, Mike McCann, Ryan Morton and Adam Gray. The Juveniles now advance to the Semi Finals to play Dourou.

UPCOMING GAMES
• Novice vs. Norwood Friday Feb. 28th in Norwood 6:00 p.m.
• Pee Wee vs. Norwood Friday Feb. 28th in Norwood 8:00 p.m.
• Juveniles vs. Dourou Friday Feb. 28th in Madoc 9 p.m. for Game 2 of the Semi Finals
• Midget vs. Almaguin Saturday March 1st 2 p.m. in Marmora for Game 3 of the Semi Finals
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An open letter to parents for dialogue 'Will the grade 10 test just create a group of dropouts?'

Dear Editor
Education, education! There is always talk of reform. What significant changes have really happened? I think the first significant change was the elimination of the tax based funding system with its spend and tax mentality. The introduction of student focused funding created an equal funding system across the province and funded school boards on a per-student formula. Unfortunately like any good ideas the government screwed it up with cutbacks and underfunding in many important areas. Many school boards began creative accounting practices moving money from one budget item to another, while asking parents to fund raise in areas of shortages.

The next significant change that was introduced was the School Council system, where parents were supposed to be given a voice and a partnership in educational improvement. The concept was great! Again government took a great idea and messed up its implemen-

tation. The first attempt was PPM#122 which was a mere policy document relying on the cooperation of the administrators to recognize the parent's right to be involved in the education of their child. What a failure it was. School Councils, which should have been parent run and focused, became re-placements for fund raising committees or elite groups of parents who were dominated by principals and never consulted with the community about policies within the school. The government finally rescinded PPM#122 and replaced it with legislation called Regulation 612 and 613 under the Education Act. This guarantees the right of parents and communities to be consulted about change within the school and the school board. I think very few communities are actually being consulted as required. Has your school council sent home a survey asking your opinion on issues being discussed at school council meetings?

A bunch of school councils have formed a "District

School Council" and the board has recognized this DSC as being representative of the 50+ councils within the board. Attendance at these meetings which are held 3 to 4 times a year is not as good as we would like it to be. Our last meeting held in February had 44 people in attendance representing 15 schools, teachers and community interests. We need to see this number grow if the voice of parents and communities is going to be heard by the board. One of the issues being addressed by delegates to the DSC are those half-day non-instructional days. Delegates have brought forward the concerns from their communities about the hassles for parents created during these early dismissal days as well as other legitimate concerns. The delegates spent two hours on EQAO testing at the February meeting. This input from communities has become very important and the DSC wants to hear from other interested parents and communities. Some members of the DSC have set up a chat page where any taxpayer from Hastings or Prince Edward can voice their concerns about educational issues. There are three ways to join this chat page.

You can log on and become a member by going to <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/hpeschoolcouncils/>.

You can email me at marklucas@sympatico.ca and I'll send out an invitation to join.

You can also send an email to hpeschoolcouncils-subscribe@yahoo.com.

This is an opportunity for concerned parents and communities to have input on issues about education. They can be complaints or questions or even information you wish to share. All are welcome. The group is moderated so there is no flaming or politics.

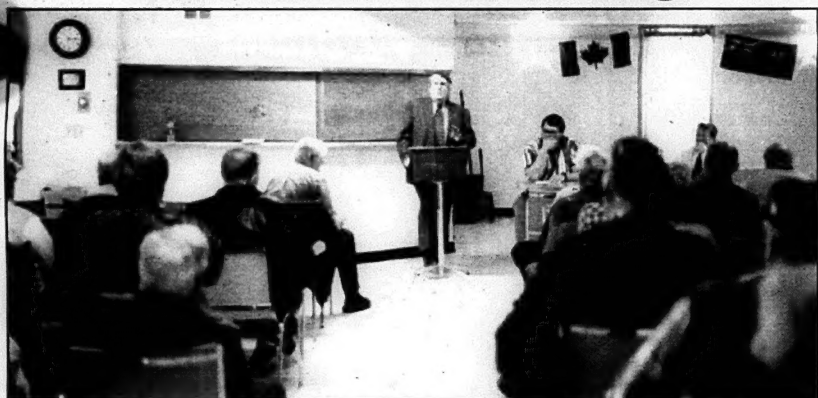
Other significant changes were the curriculum and the elimination of Grade 13. Are our kids better off for it all?

Five years of testing seems to show little significant improvement in spite of hundreds of millions spent and the stress inflicted on the children. Will the grade 10 test just create a group of dropouts? Is it fair after 13 years of education to deny a student a diploma based on the results of just one test? How do you feel about salaries? Does every school need a full time principal and vice principal or would the school be better served with a librarian? Should every special-needs student be forced into a regular class though the parents oppose it? Should parents fund raise for items which are supposed to be paid for by the board?

These are important questions which can and have been discussed on the chat channel. Come join us, or contact your local council representative and have them raise the issues for you.

Mark Lucas, Co-Chair District School Council

Agriculture's concerns are being addressed in local meetings



MPP Ernie Parson speaks to area farmers last week in Ivanhoe as part of meetings held for consultations regarding the Nutrient Management Act.

Tension has been high in rural Ontario in recent weeks because of the concern and frustration farmers have felt in response to the initial draft regulations for Ontario's Nutrient Management legislation.

Following meetings and discussions this week, the Ontario Federation of Agriculture is confident the concerns expressed by farmers and their organizations are being addressed in changes to the draft regulations, said President Ron Bonnett.

He met with Chris Stockwell, Minister of the Environment, on Jan. 21st and talked with Helen Johns, Minister of Agriculture and Food, on Jan 22nd before addressing the monthly meeting of the OFA Board of Directors. Bonnett introduced a five-point set of 'principles for the implemen-

tation of Nutrient Management planning' that Minister Stockwell proposed and Minister Johns found acceptable.

Bonnett had earlier received support for the principles from the partners in the Ontario Farm Environmental Coalition (OPEC). OFA directors, after reviewing the principles at their meeting, expressed confidence the regulations are moving closer to what Ontario farmers want and can live with.

The principles state: (1) amend the redrafted regulations following OMAF consultations with the farm community and OFEC; (2) phase-in of categories will be linked to available (government) funding to offset farmers' costs; (3) the issues of shallow soils, bedrock, and outdoor livestock to be re-

framed, at this point, with consultations to continue with industry before final regulations developed; (4) an inspection and enforcement protocol will be developed which will demonstrate that OMAF will be involved to attempt to rectify problems prior to MOE enforcement; (5) public registration requirements to be limited to a one or two-page summary.

"With these principles in place, I'm satisfied that we are moving toward resolving concerns brought forward by Ontario farmers at consultation meetings," Bonnett said. "Agriculture is impressed with the ministers' willingness to respond to farmers' concerns in this manner."

See page 5A for coverage of the meeting in Ivanhoe held last week with Ron Bonnett.

The Nutrient Management Act: a timetable

The Nutrient Management Act allows the Province to regulate the management of materials containing nutrients, with some notable exceptions.

The NMA is jointly administered by OMAF and MOE.

OMAF has the responsibility for training of farmers. MOE will be responsible for enforcement and monitoring of the regulations.

Both OMAF and MOE are involved in the drafting of standards and regulations.

The process has been split into 3 stages:

Stage 1 dealt with the content of the NMA, with consultations.

level, with consultations and information sessions.

Stage 3 in spring 2003 will cover manure haulage and transfer, record keeping, dead animals, access to waterways, and other issues.

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Mother & daughter brunch mouth-watering

by Margaret Monk

Marmora - A CWL Mother and Daughter mouth-watering brunch was served in Sacred Heart Parish Hall after the 10 o'clock mass, Sunday, Feb. 16. President Linda Bracken gave a warm welcome to the 75 ladies attending, and Dorothy Meehan led the singing of grace.

After the brunch, Organization Convener Bev Maloney made presentations of League pins to members for years of service to the CWL: 10 years, Anita Bedore, Doris Bedore, Linda Bertrand, Jeanna Black, Linda Bertrand, Cam Cain, Reg Ellis, Lisa Geroux, Deena MacCauley, Anne Marie McGregor and Sharon Swartz; 25 years, Helen Belanger, Margaret Taylor (to be presented at home); 40 years, Isabelle Lee (to be presented later); 50 years, Margaret Monk; 60 years, Helen Mantle (to be presented at home); and 65 years, Josephine Hulsman.

The hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion in the red and white Valentine theme, with table dis-

plays of photo albums and scrap books of our history. A special spiritual display had been prepared by Anne McGrath who, unfortunately, was in Peterborough Regional Health Care and unable to attend. Anne had baked heart cookies for all present and, as they were passed, members said a prayer for Anne's recovery. Anne had also provided small gifts for the men who served the meal: Ted Bedore, Doug Lynch, Frank Lee, Joe Maloney, Joe MacCauley, Bob Murphy and Don Shannon, as well as "hearts" to Jean and Don Shannon's chief chefs for their important role in the brunch.

Cathie Moorcroft, daughter of Pat Cook, and Carol Shannon, daughter of Jean Shannon, won door prizes.

Anne Marie McGregor spoke to members of the Vocations Cross, which will have a place each week in homes of members and parishioners who will pray for vocations.

Committee members for the brunch celebration were Pat Cook, Marjorie Bronson, Linda Bertrand and Jean

Shannon.

"Reflections of a mother of a soon-to-be priest" was the subject of an address by Shirley Gauvreau, whose son, Friar Michael (Derek) expects to be ordained in Italy in June. Shirley expressed deep feelings of sadness and joy when she and her husband, Robert, dropped Derek off at Our Lady's Chapel in New Bedford, Mass. to begin his seminary studies seven years ago. Derek had been called to the order of Franciscans of the Immaculate Mary. When the twins were young and serving on the altar at Sacred Heart Church, a visiting priest remarked to Shirley that he could see these boys on the altar as priests, and in her prayers to Jesus she asked if this were so, that they be under the guidance of our Blessed Lady.

In her talk, she expressed the importance of family prayers through growing up years, and when their small children were going off to school, she recalled their habit of saying a prayer, "Dear Blessed Mother, come

with me and protect me at school." Some days running down the driveway for the bus, she would call to them to ask if they had said their prayer and their little voices would come yelling back, "Dear Blessed Mother, come with me and protect me at school."

Shirley told the ladies that she had had several x-rays for a medical problem and when she found she was pregnant, her doctor recommended that the pregnancy be aborted rather than wait for consequences from radiation. "We knew our faith and the teachings of the Church and said 'No', we will accept what God sends us. And God sent us double blessings - Derek (Friar Michael) will soon be a priest, and his twin brother, Brian, a geologist, is married with one child."

Friar Michael also has a younger brother, Jamie, two sisters, Rene and Jacinta, and at home, a foster brother Stephen who has spina bifida.

Shirley also felt that when Derek worked on her parents' farm one summer, where people come to pray the Stations of the Cross, he was influenced in his discernment and prayers about his vocation to the priesthood.

To complete her talk,

Shirley showed a video giving an overall description of the humble beginnings of the Franciscans of the Immaculate Order, which was established in 1991 by Pope John Paul II as a separate order because of its added vows of total consecration to Our Lady. This order has friaries in the USA, Africa, Australia, England, Italy and the Philippines.

Jean Shannon who said she was an inspiration to us, thanked Shirley, who was introduced by Linda Bracken.

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Auspicious day: The Hastings Community Policing office is back in business and will serve as a pilot project for Trent Hills. The Trent Hills Police Services Board has already made major strides towards opening a community office in Warkworth and has every intention of opening a third in Campbellford. Enjoying some opening day cake are (L-R) Debbie Sullivan, Police Service Board Chair and Eric Summers. All three Hastings residents are also members of the community policing committee. Photo/Bill Freeman

Art Exhibition at Syrup Festival

The Spirit of the Hills Juried Art Exhibition will take place again this year in conjunction with the Warkworth Maple Syrup Festival. The show runs Saturday and Sunday, March 8-9, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Percy Heritage Centre.

It features a sparkling array of free standing and wall art by a number of talented local artists, all members of the Spirit of the Hills or the Northumberland Hills Arts Association. It is a fine opportunity to view more than 50 works of art and to purchase paintings, sculptures, photography, ceramics, pottery and carvings, all locally created.

Juror for the show is Denis Cliff, a member of the Royal Canadian Academy. He studied at the University of Victoria. Following post-graduate studies at Toronto's New School of Art, he began showing paintings, drawings, sculpture and installations. In his 30 years of professional work he has had 28 one-man shows and 70 group exhibitions in Canada and the United States.

Letter To The Editor

Library service worth every penny, says chair

Dear Editor:

Your coverage of Trent Hills Municipal meetings in the Jan. 25th edition in relation to the Finance Committee's consideration of budget was concise and informative, as usual.

However, some of the observations you reported may leave the public with an incorrect impression about the Library's impact on the "depressing picture" before the Finance Committee. The reported comments by Treasurer Jeff Bush could appear to indicate that the County levy paid for the libraries.

That levy was funded by what the participating mu-

nicipalities paid to the County based on a per capita levy recommended to the County by the County Public Library Board and approved by the County. In the year preceding amalgamation the Town of Campbellford/Seymour was no longer a participant in the so-called Library system. Percy Township and the Village of Hastings were.

So Campbellford/Seymour set its own rate and received a per capita grant direct from the province. In short, the County levy which affected Hastings and Percy no longer exists and the municipality sets its own rate to cover all three branches of the Trent Hills

Public Library system.

It also appears that it was pay equity for libraries which impacts on the increased costs. Town employees were also dealt with under pay equity and I might venture to suggest that the library staff was responsible for a relatively small portion of those costs. A further clarification needs to be understood. The library does not carry over unused vacation, staff do not get paid overtime, and no new employees were added in 2002.

As a taxpayer I believe that the library service provided in the municipality is worth every penny spent. As Chairman of the Library
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Rebels, Raiders to clash in duel for league crown

Napanee squad upsets favoured Jets

Picton—Campbellford Rebels had their brooms out and completed the sweep of the Picton Pirates and now move on to face the upstart Napanee Raiders with the Empire League junior C championship on the line.

The surprise package Raiders, who barely made the playoffs, shocked the Amherstview Jets in five games in the semi-final round. The Jets and Rebels dominated the race all season and finished tied for the top of the standings. Muggor Hart's Campbellford skaters eventually claimed first place by a single point margin in the season series.

Rebels more than lived up to their favorite's role against the Pirates but Amherstview stumbled against a Napanee team that suddenly found a new lease on life. Having the home ice advantage wasn't much of a factor as the Jets lost three games in their own rink.

So the Rebels and Raiders square off in game one Saturday night in Campbellford with game two Tues-

day, March 4th in Napanee. The teams return to Campbellford for game three Wednesday, March 5th. All starting times are 7:30 p.m. If the series goes beyond that, games four and five are not definite pending available Napanee ice time but game six will be played in Napanee March 11th with the Rebels' hosting the seventh and deciding game March 12th.

Campbellford finished off the Pirates in game four on Picton ice Feb. 20th with a 6-4 victory. The result followed 8-3, 4-0 and 6-3 victories as the Rebels outscored the Picton team by an overall margin of 24-10.

Baldwin Scores First
 Only goal of the first period was a slam dunk by Carl Baldwin, assisted by Andrew Smith and Matt Locke (up from juvies). Rebels had four regulars out of the lineup—Matt Yates (wisdom teeth removed); Dave Fischer (work); Adam Scott (foot injury) and Justin Lowe (groin).

Early in the second frame,

Jeremy Heffernan converted a behind-the-net passout by centre Joe Curry to make it 2-0.

The two-goal cushion was cut in half when Mike Colton connected on a power play with Rebel netminder Erik See sprawling in vain. Two minutes later Rebel leftwinger Ross MacDonald found paydirt when he skated in alone and parked the puck high over Scotty Campbell's shoulder.

Up 3-1 entering the third, the Reds took command as Heffernan connected with his second and seventh of the series. Phil Darrington assisted.

Rebels made it 5-1 before the Pirates stormed back with three straight goals, the last one a 50-footer by Tim Pope that See misjudged. But Captain Gordie Nelson sealed the deal with a long-range empty netter.

Rebels appear to be fairly healthy to start the Napanee series as all regulars with the exception of centreman Adam Scott were at Tuesday night's practice session.

Commentary

Restriction of press charge is just more gobbledy-gook

By Rolly Ethier

Campbellford—There's a kind of hyperbole going on in Trent Hills municipal circles these days that has left a negative cloud hanging over almost all proceedings. It seems to be caused by the Community Press as that newspaper continues to make outrageous statements without being held accountable.

Members of the media will no longer be able to question delegations to Council or committees?

Let's get something straight. There never was a time when the media was allowed to question delegations. However, any reporter with access to a telephone can contact any member of a delegation to get information. Otherwise, meetings which sometimes run longer than three hours would go on forever.

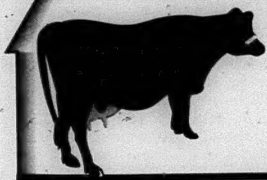
So don't believe the headline which accuses Mayor George McCleary of restricting freedom of the press. If anything, compared to other municipalities, Trent Hills is always very generous in making everything as open and accessible as possible.

Of course, if you are a certain reporter trying to grandstand at Council meetings that just may not be good enough to suit his ego and agenda. You may have noticed that "conspiracy man" is the only reporter covering Council complaining and making these patently absurd "freedom of press" allegations.

The Fisher "hit list" keeps growing. Don Frise, Councillor Tony Edwards, Montse Alvarado and the entire River Country committee, Sharon Hamilton, Kyle Elieff, Gary McGaffin and now Mayor George McCleary and anyone else who opposes his rhetoric. The list gets longer. Who's next?

FARMFEST 2003

A Salute to the Farming Industry



NMA meeting brings up farmers' fears, concerns

By Lawrence McAllister

From day one, public perception has linked together Walkerton with agriculture.

Ontario Federation of Agriculture's president Ron Bonnett remembers that on the day of the first death in Walkerton, he was scheduled to give an interview on Global TV, and as he got ready he watched news reports. It was typical, he said, to hear a voice over while seeing stock footage of tractors in fields. It didn't really matter what the voice over was saying; the footage shown was agricultural.

Bonnett was one of a number of speakers, and over 100 concerned farmers, who attended a meeting in Ivanhoe last Friday the 21st. Bonnett's speech opened the meeting and gave an over-

view of the struggle with the Nutrient Management Act.

Walkerton, he said, put an urgency in the public mindset about water quality.

First draft revealed

In December the first draft of legislation was revealed, created by the Ministry of the Environment (MOE) and the Ministry of Agriculture and Food (MAF). The stamp of the MOE was heavily seen in this draft; their approach to legislation was that of "using a tape measure." Farmers came out in droves, Bonnett said, to complain that first and foremost, the regulations were just too complex. Once they were deciphered, it was obvious the cost of implementing the changes would be prohibitive.

By January, organiza-

tions, including the OFA, had gotten together with the provincial government to change the rules into something more practical and understandable.

The OFA wanted to see changes in how manure is stored, inspected, and used; changes in public documents farmers would be required to table; and link these changes to funding since farming is already a heavily capitalized business.

"The working relationship between the MOE and farmers has not been good," Bonnett pointed out. Ads calling for potential new MOE officials raised more alarms, he said, bringing fears of a small army of people walking around with ticket books and tape measures.

The best course of action for the environment, he said, was to "take a look at the situation, see if there's a violation" and try to work with the farmer and fix it. This way, he pointed out, "you're not thinking how you can fine people; but of how we can fix the environmental situation."

Working with province

Bonnett said the OFA was working with the province on the legislation, not to take over the agenda, but to ensure farmers were heard, and that workable, sensible rules were developed that would apply to all. It is a case, he said, of preferring the devil you know. He gave some examples of problems he could foresee.

"We still have a few outstanding issues where we're wondering about the science," he said, bringing up

the winter spreading of manure and the lack of real study behind it. The University of Guelph is just beginning studies of this so that decisions are based on fact instead of guesses or preconceived notions.

At one point there was

concern that the regulations would cover all farmers like a blanket, from large to small. This, Bonnett said, is a good thing.

"It doesn't matter if the farm is large or the farm is small," he said. "It should do

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OFA President Ron Bonnett speaks to concerned farmers in Ivanhoe recently as part of consultations for the Nutrient Management Act. These meetings are taking place throughout Ontario to listen to the agriculture industry on how to best change the current legislation

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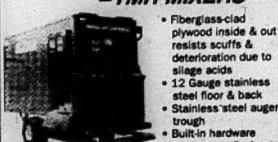
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NMA meeting brings up farmers' fears, concerns

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the right thing." Just as important, he and others noted, any farms exempted from the NMA would be preying to other legislation, created perhaps by other levels of government. "The last thing we want to see," Bonnett said, "is this legislation coming in and forcing people out."

Paul Burnham of the Northumberland Federation of Agriculture's Land Use and Planning Committee took the podium next. Burnham said that while his area's concerns are many, he would highlight only a few. The first was how, previously, farmers were encouraged to practise minimum or no-till conversions, which was especially useful in the hills of Northumberland County. The proposed new regulations would require working manure into the soil. "For fourteen years," Burnham said, "farmers have capitalized on the benefits of reduced tillage only to see their efforts deemed unlawful by the new regulations."

Burnham also spoke of manure storage and high trajectory guns, but what later drew many comments from the assembled audience was his mentioning the perception of odor problems. "Manure

smells are a part of farm life," he said. "The toxic clouds that hang over our urban centres are far more dangerous than a few days of organic aromas," and the crowd clearly agreed.

He also brought up the dreaded subject of paperwork. Filing Nutrient Management Plans and documenting every day-to-day movement on the farm would simply not get done during the busy season, and "the implementation of these protocols will make many of us here somewhat less than law abiding citizens."

Like many, Burnham shows some resentment that farmers in general are painted with a wide brush as being careless with environmental issues. "The job of producing food to the people of this nation has fallen on less than 2% of these people. We take this responsibility seriously and we strive to maintain a healthy environment for our crops, our livestock, our families, and our communities."

Striking another chord with those present, Burnham pointed out that it seemed "every move we make appears to be monitored by bureaucrats and politicians who don't seem to realize what goes on beyond the city limits. Let the farmers do the farming."

New legislation draft

Vance Drain of Drain Poultry in Tweed spoke next, bringing chuckles when he said that at least the new draft of the legislation more closely resembled a language called English. Drain brought up the recurring fear that counties, townships, and municipalities can presently draw up bylaws restricting agricultural activities, and the NMA is needed to "create a level playing field."

Like Bonnett, Drain emphasized that nutrient management meant, first and foremost, ground water protection. However, the idea of plowing manure under so as to not offend ex-urbanites' noses accomplishes the exact opposite. "Out of sight, out of mind," he reminded

everyone. When manure is left on top of the ground, the sun or frost will kill bacteria, and rain washes the nutrients into the ground, where it can be used even by plants with short roots.

When it is plowed under, the odor will decrease, but the bacteria has a 2 to 10 inch headstart to get to the water table. It is important to understand, Drain said, that "ground water and bacteria control need one thing: smell and sight need another."

Questions asked

Questions and comments for the speakers varied in subject. One farmer in particular is well known as being the target of a neighbor with the finances to interfere with virtually every step he takes. Others brought up the problem of birds, deer, and elk damaging feed and crops, using Michigan as an example of where the situation is out of control. Bonnett replied that every time the OFA set up a meeting with the MNR in the last 6 months or so, the MNR cancelled.

He warned that overpopulation in wild stocks lead to disease, which can then spread to farmers' livestock.

In response to questioning, Bonnett said the OFA is interested in keeping dialogue open with the National Farmer's Union, although progress is difficult since the NFU's policies are quite different from the OFA's.

Larry Mitzi, Centre Hastings councillor, asked Bonnett if the OFA was lo-

bying to prevent municipalities from zoning against farms. Bonnett said they were, being opposed to this "backdoor approach."

From the back of the room, watching the proceedings, Prince Edward and Hastings Liberal MPP Ernie Parson came forward with some comments.

After bringing the house down and easing some of the tension that had built up, he said that yes, farmers might only be 1.5% of the population, but there were ways they could influence events. (Bonnett pointed out that in monetary terms agriculture was Ontario's second largest industry, behind only automobiles.)

How to get involved

Parson said not much weight is given to petitions. He said that typically people will sign petitions simply to make the petitioner go away. Far more influential, he said, are simple letters or phone calls that clearly state the impact of government actions from a personal point of view. He urged everyone to get involved because, as he said bluntly, "I think the NMA as it now stands has the potential to destroy the beef industry" in Ontario.

The meeting was part of "Stage 2" of the regulation's development and the OFA is confident the concerns raised by farmers will be addressed by changes to the draft regulations. Stage 3 is expected to be launched sometime in the spring.



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Impact of world economic globalization comes to Tweed

By Brian Dunning

Tweed — The residents of Tweed recently discovered a globalized economy can have local ramifications. Global free trade has been touted in recent years as the best way to help less developed countries catch up, economically speaking, with the developed nations. However, opponents of this philosophy argue the reality is just the opposite. To meet the standards demanded by multi-national corporations is resulting in Third World countries being forced to radically adjust their economies and government spending away from social programs and small family-run operations. To be competitive on a global scale, the argument goes, requires large-scaled operations.

For the majority of Tweed area residents this on-going debate held little interest. After all there are no "major corporations" in the immediate area. There is no direct connection between rural Canada and Third World countries. For many, global economics barely registers as an issue. If they think about it at all it is usually

when watching news coverage of protesters rioting at economic summits.

Impact on small farms
However, farmers, especially family farm operators know first hand the impact the globalization on the world's economy is having on small farms. Over the past three decades the number of family-run farms in Canada has dropped dramatically. No longer able to compete with larger and larger farming operations literally tens of thousands of Canadian farmers stopped farming.

Corporations stepped in to fill the growing demand for food. In the livestock industry to maximize profits, the cost of production per unit, (animal), has to be kept as low as possible. No longer is it economically viable to raise 30, 50 or even 100 animals and bring them to market weight. As a result "mega-farms" or Intensive Livestock Operations, (ILOs), started appearing across the country.

These operations, usually backed by large food processors, have to raise thousands of animals to be profitable. Animals produce manure. The more animals, the more manure. In the case of swine this manure, (or in government language, nutrients) is in liquid form. Thousands of pigs produce tens of thousands of litres of manure. This manure has to be stored before it is spread on the land as a natural fertilizer. The most economically method of storing this manure is in lagoons - very large lagoons.

Enter Tweed's sudden in-

roduction to the new global economy. Last fall Mark Slack & Company Incorporated applied for and was granted a building permit to construct a "new barn", (that's the way it is described in the October, 2002 building permit report to municipal council) valued at \$1,421,660. For the record, the municipality charged a \$9,322 fee for issuing the permit. The report was presented at a November meeting of council.

The permit, with conditions attached to it, was for a 1,300-pig operation on Kinlin Road, a short distance east of the town of Tweed itself. The site of the proposed operation is a short distance from a wetland area and the Clare River. Information at the time indicated the barn would be 80,000 square feet in size and two 20,000-gallon lagoons would be built to store the liquid manure.

Total surprise

The issuance of the permit came as a total surprise to area residents. At no time did the municipality indicate publicly a permit was being sought for such an operation prior to its approval by the Chief Building Inspector. Needless to say when word got out about the proposed ILO, you know what hit the fan.

The Dec. 3rd session of council drew a standing-room only crowd of a very angry and vocal group of local residents. Charges were made council had deliberately kept residents in the dark about the proposed "mega-farm" knowing there would be wide-spread oppo-

sition to it.

For their part council members defended the issuance of the conditional permit on two fronts. The first being the applicant had followed all the proper legal procedures and that the land was zoned for agricultural use. In addition nutrient, (manure), management was a provincial responsibility, not municipal. Their second was that the Chief Building Inspector deals with hundreds of building permit applications annually ranging from the addition of a new deck to a house to the construction of a new residence. They rightly pointed out if the building inspector was required to get council's formal approval for every application very little would get built in the municipality.

Council takes umbrage

At the time council also took umbrage at the suggestion they had done anything underhanded or tried to deliberately mislead the public. While some of the protesters still insisted that was the case, cooler heads prevailed. Realizing they were getting little sympathy with unsubstantiated allegations of wrong-doing a coalition calling itself Farms Not Factories then initiated a letter writing campaign with the goal of having the building permit revoked.

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High Triples With Handicap—Tony Clayton, 899; Gord Gardner, 794; Robert Sutherland, 792; Marlene Harris, 817; Darryl Barth, 811; Flo Neil, 792.



Curling Club benefits from bidding generosity

Silent auction action: The Norwood Curling Club held a silent auction to help raise funds to offset some of the costs it incurred when it was forced to make some major repairs to the ice plant. The auction table was laden with a veritable cornucopia of items — enough to satisfy all who dropped by to make a bid, like Georgina and Dave McNeil (above), and Club curlers who participated in an in-house bonspiel while watching a terrific winter storm descend upon the area.

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Board, I know that the budget figures provided for Council's consideration is the result of very careful scrutiny, keeping in mind the continuation of good service to the public and the need for fiscal prudence.

This letter is in no way a criticism of the Treasurer, Mr. Bush. On the contrary, we have been fortunate to have his excellent advice and co-operation during what must have been, for him, a very trying period harmonizing and modernizing three separate accounting systems.

Robert Woadden, Chairman,
Trent Hills Public Library Board.

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Never-say-die Colts force deciding game against Schomberg

Schomberg—Showing they are more than equal to a challenge, Sharpe's IGA Atom A Colts from Campbellford once again came through in a backs-to-the-wall situation last weekend.

Down 2-0 in the previous series against Highland Storm of Haliburton, the Colts came crashing back to sweep three straight victories and the series.

It looked hopeless for the Colts again following the third game of their OHA quarter-final round against Schomberg Feb. 21st when they suffered a 6-0 defeat on Campbellford ice. The result left the Colts trailing the best-of-five series two games to one with game four scheduled back on Schomberg ice Saturday.

But the never-say-die spirit of the Colts came back into focus and the team hit the surface with a determined glint in their eyes. The re-

solve paid off in a 3-1 Campbellford victory.

After a scoreless first period, Colts finally opened scoring at 10:36 of the second when Zach Paton broke in with Joe McEvoy right behind. Zach took a shot and it popped in the rebound. He held the slim margin to the solid goaltender Jake Locke.

Less than a minute in the final period, Tyler Dupont set up Douglas (Bobby) to move the Colts into the lead. At 9:09, Schomberg finally got on the board in the stage for an exciting nine minutes.

With only three minutes, the Colts were in and the pressure was on. Then, with time running, the Schomberg team penalized but decided to move their goalie for a extra attacker anyway. Colts threw up a deflection and with only 10 seconds remaining, Joe McEvoy broke away and fired into the empty net to sew up the victory.

Schomberg was scheduled to return to Campbellford today to decide the series. The snowstorm resulted in the game being postponed until Wednesday, Feb.

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Model Train Enthusiast—One of Campbellford's original model railroad enthusiasts, Peter Wilimink, set up some cars on the model railroad layout track. Wilimink is looking forward to the relocation of the club from the Resource Centre basement to a new venue at the Heritage Society barn in the coming year. photo/Rolly Ethier.

Model railroad ideal Heritage addition

By Rolly Ethier
Campbellford—A number of years ago the late Campbellford Mayor, Frank Linton, made a gift to the municipality of his prized model train, including the surrounding area layout. It has since been relegated to the basement of the former Town Hall (now the Resource Centre).

Still being operated by the Model Railroad Society, an organization that has seen a fluctuation of members over the years, the train has recently become the subject of interest at the municipal council level because some people believe it is worthy of a more visible and educational venue.

A man with many positive ideas and the former president of the Spirit of the Hills, Michel Proulx, originally came up with the suggestion that has rallied support. He believed the Campbellford/Seymour Heritage Society is the logical organization to take the model railroad and develop an active train centre in the newly-refurbished Heritage Barn because trains are a significant part of our history.

Michel envisions interested youth coming in regularly and spending time under the direction of a senior member of the train society

to work on a layout of historical Campbellford as conceived by Mayor Linton.

"I trust Frank would be pleased to see such a constructive use made of his gift," says Proulx.

Relocation Proposal
Recently, Ann Rowe, president of the Heritage Society, wrote to Trent Hills' Chief Administrative Officer Lorraine Brace about the relocation proposal.

In the letter which came before Council, Mrs. Rowe informed that the proposal to relocate the model railway in the upper level of the Heritage Barn received a very enthusiastic response from the members at a December meeting.

"The Heritage Society is very excited to become part of the venture," she said.

She said she was approached by several members who are anxious to become involved in the project.

"I look forward to the establishment of a planning team to begin working on this effort as soon as possible," she noted. "The Society is prepared to undertake the inventory with assistance from more knowledgeable railroaders. This promises to be an excellent partner venture once the criteria are established for the maintenance, security and efficient

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Ann Rowe, President of the Campbellford/Seymour Heritage Society

management of the attraction."

One of the priorities will be to provide for a closed-off, heated area of the barn so that the Model Railway Society can continue throughout the winter months.

Logistics a Concern

But a former member of the model railroad club, Ken Berger, says much has to be considered in the logistics of actually moving the layout to another location.

"One of the main problems will be trackage and switches, which in all likelihood, would have to be replaced and this could result in a significant expenditure," says Berger, who is a very knowledgeable model railroad buff, having worked train shows all over Southern Ontario for over five years.

Berger says re-assembly

the entire layout and scenery would be a considerable task. "You must remember you're working with very small components. The loss of parts in the transition would complicate the situation. Moving the layout would require considerable attention to detail."

Berger also wonders whether enough interest can be developed, particularly among the younger people even if the railroad is set up in a more visible venue at the Heritage Barn.

"Plainly there was an inherent lack of interest and support for the model railroad club while we were operating it," said Berger.

The club currently operates in the basement of the Resource Centre in a roughly 30 x 20 foot room.

A Positive Outlook

Peter Wilimink, a one-time friend of Mayor Linton, is a little more optimistic about the future. Involved in model railroading with Frank when the layout was located in the latter's home, he agrees that the job of moving the whole design to the Heritage Society is a big one but he is confident it can be accomplished.

"First we have to do a complete inventory," said Peter, "and we'll need a lot of cooperative manpower. Hopefully between our members and interested members from the Heritage Society we can organize a successful re-assembly."

Once the model railway is set up in a more accessible public venue, Wilimink believes interest will be stimulated for young people.

The proposal to have the Heritage Society set up a permanent display came before Council recently and it was reported that Dave Rogers, Deputy Building Official, is working with the Heritage Society to have the trains displayed upstairs at

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Donegal Fiddlers jig into March

Asphodel-Norwood - "If you're Irish come into the parlour there's a welcome here for you."

In truth, you do not have to be Irish to enjoy the upcoming Donegal Fiddlers Dance Mar. 1 at the Old Donegal School. Patrons, however, can expect to hear music with an Irish lilt to it. If you should break out into song, tap your toes or do a jig it will be in keeping with the character of the old school house.

This was driven home at the last monthly dance when Vic Morrow, caller and raconteur, told how Sam Buck, a former Donegal School student, recalled the pleasure they used to have when the desks were pushed back and the pupils held a dance.

So, if you want to celebrate St. Patrick's Day a little early (you don't have to be Irish!) then come join the Donegal Fiddlers in a party mood!

A photo opportunity we should know about? Give us a call!



Dining out music: The Hastings Community Diner's were treated to some Donegal Fiddling week. Photo/Bill Fre

Game 7 thriller dazzles novice fans at Coliseum

Asphodel-Norwood - It was everything you would from a game 7 playoff showdown - a fast pace with of end-to-end action by the Begg Fuel Novice Hornets the Percy Bulldogs.

The Hornets had forced the seventh game after behind 3-1 in the series but the Bulldogs had just magic to take the match 5-4 but not before withst another furious Norwood rally.

The Hornets buzzed the 'Dogs net for the first minutes before finally scoring on an effort by McDougall from Dean Smith. But two goals in the minute set the Hornets back.

Percy fired in three in the second frame with Evan from Matthew George and Samuel Gerow, responded. Down 5-2 heading into the third, Norwood pulled all the stops. With goalie Kurt Peters on the bench the Wiley snapped in two goals to cut the lead to 5-4. team simply ran out of time. Picking up assists on the were Calder, with two, Gerow and Smith.

Despite losing game 7 and having their OMHA Re-ster playoffs come to an end, this was definitely a work experience for the young Hornets. The coaching staff very proud of the way the team came together in work ethic, teamwork and focus.

It was certainly an enjoyable series against an opponent and in the end, after seven terrific games, on goal separated the teams. What more could you ask playoff hockey. The fans salute both the Hornets and dogs for putting on such a tremendous show.

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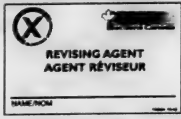


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Sacred Heart News

Marmora - Sacred Heart students are celebrating four 'fabulous Fridays' in February to promote fitness and school spirit. The events are: sports; Valentine activities; board games; and (tentatively) skating.

The recently book fair raised \$253 worth of books for the school's library. Thanks to parents for their support and to those parents who volunteered to run the fair.

Grade 7 & 8 students will be selling chocolate covered almost, beginning March 3

as a fundraiser for their trip to Quebec.

Students aged 10, 11, 12 and 13 took part in the Knights of Columbus free throw competition. Age 10 winners were John Whalen 1st, Vincent Ramsperger 2nd, and Michelle Leeson 1st.

Age 11 boys, William Meehan 1st and Jon Blakely 2nd. Holly-Jo Reid 1st and Dianna Patrick 2nd.

Chris Payer was 1st among 12-year-olds, Erin Ramsperger 1st and Haley O'Rourke 2nd.

Joseph Dudgeon placed

1st in the 13-year-old category, Justin Bergeron 2nd with Maggie O'Rourke 1st and Janna Wootton 2nd.

If your child is four or five years of age as of Dec. 31, you may register him/her for Kindergarten for September. You must provide the following: copy of Baptismal Certificate; copy of immunization record; copy of Health Card number; copy of birth certificate.

The school will be closed March 10-14 for March Break.



Fantastic Fridays at Sacred Heart School. Here are a few of Mrs. McKinlay's Grade 7/8 class playing Monopoly. Left to right Joseph Dudgeon, Josh Falzetta and Leah Collyer. photos/J. Seaborn

Communities in Bloom members attend workshop in Merrickville

by Nancy Derrer

Marmora - Last Friday, February 21, four members of the Communities in Bloom Committee, a sub-committee of the Garden Club of Marmora and Lake attended a workshop in Merrickville to learn the inside story on how the judges rate communities during the annual competition. Marilyn VanSteinburg, Linda Bracken and Jim Cuddy accompanied Garden Club President.

Because the Communities in Bloom registration in the 2003 program is from Marmora & Lake, the local group will be competing in the 3,000-5,000 population category and Mrs. Payer predicted that the closest competitor again this year would be Mount Forest. Last year, Mount Forest and Marmora & Lake each received 'four blooms' awards with total judging scores of 78.2 and 77.6 respectively. Mrs. Payer is urging committee members to carefully look at the eight categories that are judged and have input into how the committee can improve on last year's efforts. One of the recommendations that the committee is already

working on is a 'brag book' detailing the efforts that the committee will make this year to improve the tidiness of the area, the extent of community involvement, efforts made to improve the environment, including floral, turf and landscaped areas.

The committee has also learned that TD Canada Trust has a Friends of the Environment fund and plans are being made to apply for the maximum first year grant of \$1,000. As well, a long term plan will be submitted so that the committee may receive larger grants in coming years. An interesting 'wrinkle' in the TD Canada Trust grant is that individual clients of the bank can make a donation - perhaps \$1 per month - that will be taken out of their account throughout the year.

Prices on metal brackets for the planters will be sought from local companies. Four are needed for the planters to be installed on the Cordova Road bridge.

Small flyers promoting Communities in Bloom went out with this week's

tax bills urging community participation and suggesting ways in which residents can become involved including: becoming a volunteer, entering the free Garden Club contests (large garden, country garden, commercial garden and small garden) or by making a \$15 donation for which you receive membership in the Garden Club.

This year, the committee is budgeting for 18 hanging baskets and liners, flowers, planting materials, mulch, manure, fertilizer, planter boxes and plants for the bridge for a total of slightly more than \$2,000. The municipality has funded the Communities in Bloom for a total of \$3,550. Actual costs for participating in the competition, including a \$300 registration fee, amount to about \$900. The countless hours contributed by committee members, planning the community's entry, are volunteer hours - unpaid. It is hoped that all sectors of the community will do their part in making Marmora & Lake an outstanding entry in this year's Communities in Bloom competition.



In Ms O'Leary's Grade 5/6 class at Sacred Heart the students were enjoying a game of Monopoly. Left to right Holly-Jo Reid, Bianna Leeson, Sara-Marie Ebsary and Sarah O'Hair.

March is Nutrition Month, findings especially directed at women

A new report reveals time, healthy weights and incorporating the four food groups as key healthy eating challenges faced by Canadian women. Dietitians of Canada released the results of a study conducted online in August 2002 that attracted responses from 200 women and 494 dietitians.

Kraft Canada, Dairy Farmers of Canada and Dietitians of Canada sponsored the study. The survey reveals the healthy eating challenges and concerns of women aged 24-45 from across the country. Not surprisingly, lack of time to plan, purchase and prepare healthy foods that family members will enjoy is the number one concern.

Achieving a healthy weight is also important as a personal health issue. In addition, the results show that women are looking for tips to incorporate more vegetables, fruit and grain products into their meals.

"The report indicates that women are looking for fast, convenient and tasty food ideas that provide nutritious, balanced meals for their families," says Anne Gagne, National Nutrition Month Coordinator, Dietitians of Canada. "The findings clearly indicate that women need knowledge and skills to adopt healthy eating choices

for themselves and their families."

The survey highlights that when women struggle with weight control, they avoid certain foods and then miss out on key nutrients. As part of the report, dietitians recommend that "instead of leaving out foods or skipping meals, women should start with small, realistic changes that can become lifetime habits". Dietitians also point out that women need to better understand appropriate portion sizes and should incorporate regular physical activity into each day in order to achieve and maintain a healthy weight.

This year's theme is Healthy Eating... Tasty and Easy!

Gagne points out that overcoming healthy eating challenges helps overcome heart disease, cancer, diabetes and osteoporosis and that good nutrition is key in the prevention and management of these chronic diseases. The preventive strategies for each of these conditions are based on the same principles - making healthy eating choices and achieving and maintaining a healthy weight.

Eat a variety of foods, particularly whole grain cereals and other grain products, vegetables and fruits. Choose lower-fat milk and

milk products more often. leaner meats and foods prepared with little or no fat. Limit amounts of salt, alcohol and caffeine. Other survey highlights indicate that women are concerned about fat, calories and calcium intake. Many women, it was found, lack meal planning and cooking skills.

You can visit the Dietitian of Canada Nutrition Month website (www.dietitians.ca/eatwell) and try out the newest interactive resource, On Day @ a Time. This feature presents healthy eating challenges and solutions through nine scenarios and provides healthy eating advice and tips for common situations women find themselves in on a daily basis. Other features include: Menu Planner, Nutrition Challenge Quiz, Virtual Kitchen, Tip of the Day and Nutrition Profile. You can also contact a dietitian in your region through your local public health department, hospital or community health care centre.

Next week, space allowing, we'll cover some healthy meal strategies for women. The greatest challenge facing women who want to do well is time. Juggling a career while being responsible for most of the meal planning, shopping, preparation and cleanup, is particularly challenging.

Fall Fair plans already being made

by Ingrid Lusty

Marmora - It's a new year and we're at it again! The planning, compiling and fund-raising for the 2003 Fall Fair has begun.

The Marmora Agricultural Society is a not-for-profit organization run by volunteers, who work hard each year to put on the Fall Fair. The Society and Fair originated in 1890, which makes this our 113th year. Donations to the Society are gratefully accepted any time and receipts are issued promptly. The Fall Fair and its programs also qualify students to achieve some or part of the necessary hours of community service for high school graduation.

This year's fair consists of arts, crafts & photography, a pet show, fiddle and step-dancing, demolition derby, plants and flowers and, of course, food, baking, preserving, roots and vegetables. We offer equestrian events, cattle events and sponsor the 4-H. We offer categories for all ages to enjoy, as well as the midway and kiddies' tractor pull. We also have a large and growing Classic Car Show on Sunday. Last year, there were 178 cars registered. Please take the time to check out our website at www.marmora.org/fair.html.

The 2002 Fall Fair book

was greatly improved over previous years and a terrific success. We received many wonderful comments about it. We anticipate an even better book this year. Some of the comments indicate that individuals would like to see the fair book available earlier. This, in turn, will keep the books in circulation longer resulting in advertising dollars going farther.

Whether you decide to advertise, make a donation (funds, gift certificates, prizes, etc.) and/or set up a booth in the concession area, the deadline to be included in the Fair Book is April 30.

Volunteer nature monitors wanted

Do you live near a forest or wetland - enjoy watching birds - listening for frogs? Do you live in the Bay of Quinte watershed?

If the answer is, yes, then the Bay of Quinte Remedial Action Plan could use your help this spring in monitoring certain species of wildlife. The Community Wildlife Monitoring Program offers four components - the Forest Bird Monitoring Program, Marsh Monitoring Program, Amphibian Call Counts, and Frogwatch.

Naturalist and Special Events Coordinator with

Quinte Conservation, Terry Sprague, says the programs are fun and require very little time out of the season, and volunteers can pick and choose which ever programs they like.

Forest Bird Monitoring, he says, takes place in the morning and lasts for 10 minutes at three to five stations along a route, with only two visits required between June and July to record the full complement of birds at each station.

The Marsh Monitoring Program records wetland birds twice during the year

for 10 minutes each between May and July, and recording the amphibians present three times a year for three minutes each from April through June. Both the FrogWatch and Amphibian Call Counts programs take place between April and August and require volunteers to detail the mating calls of these animals.

"Some of these animals are on the decline in North America and we want to know what's happening here in the Quinte area," stresses Sprague, who is coordinating the volunteer effort this

year. "Best part is, volunteers don't need to be experts in identity as we have training workshops set up with training tapes to assist volunteers."

Pollution hotspot

In 1985 the Bay of Quinte was declared a pollution hotspot. Among the problems was a dramatic loss of fish and wildlife populations and their habitats. The BQ-RAP Restoration Council carries out actions with local partners in its efforts to restore the Bay and its drain-

age area. Wildlife monitoring is part of the process as these animals are good indicators of environmental health.

"Last year, 120 people expressed interest in taking part in the monitoring program. We want even more volunteers to increase the present coverage."

The first of the training workshops is scheduled for March 6th, at Quinte Conservation, corner of Wallbridge/Loyalist Road and Highway 2 in Quinte West, focussing on marsh moni-

toring. Forest Bird Monitoring enthusiasts can contact March 20th, and learn identifying and monitoring forest birds. Final March 27th, those who to take part in FrogWatch or the Amphibian Count, can participate in a training session. Refreshments will be available.

More information is obtained by calling Sprague at 968-3433 or by e-mailing lsprague@k

Madoc Library featuring artist

By Susan Smith CEO

Now that the Madoc Public Library is officially open, it is time to drop in and check out the new books on our shelves.

Madoc Lanes

Wednesday Night, Feb. 12

LHS: Kim Courneyea, 216; Edie Guimond, 209; Lorie O'Halloran, 200. LHT: Courneyea, 545; O'Halloran, 539; Guimond, 532.

MHS: Randy Coe, 226; Robert Nickle, 212; Roger York, 207.

MHT: York, 566; Coe, 544; Nick, 528.

Tuesday Night, Feb. 11

LHS: Sandy Freeburn, 240; Tracy Eagleton, 231; Lynette Richardson, 220.

LHT: Jean Donaldson, 605; Richardson, 595; Eagleton, 580.

Some titles are: Pattern recognition by William Gibson, The Romantic by Barbara Gowdy, The King of torts by John Grisham, The Polished Hoe by Austin

MHS: Rob Dent, 265; Ray Reid, 250; Golden Wannamaker, 247.

MHT: Dent, 661; Wannamaker, 621; Colin Parks, 615.

Friday Night Match Play, Feb. 7

LHS: Tracy Eagleton, 259; Lorie O'Halloran, 256; Esma Lewis, 227.

LH Four: Eagleton, 788; Teresa Dunley, 783; Lewis, 760.

MHS: Kevin Laton, 291; Al Butler, 261; Drew O'Halloran, 259.

MH Four: Butler, 915; Alf Horlock, 888; Kevin Laton, 880.

Clarke, Crossroads of twilight by Robert Jordan, 911 by Noam Chomsky, The demon in the freezer by Richard Preston, Stupid White Men by Michael Moore and Escape by Roy MacGregor.

Don't forget we also have over 191 new children's titles as well, purchased with a donation from Mr. Reg Mouck.

The library's hours are Thurs.: 3:30-7:30, Wed. 1-5,

Thurs.: 3:30-7:30, Fri.: 10-12, and 3:30-7:30, and Sat. 10-1 pm.

During March Break on March 12 from 2-4 p.m. artist Jerene Chandler will be offering a cartooning workshop for kids ages 6 and up. Please register ahead of time at the library by calling 473-4456 or in person. A suggested donation of a toonie per child would be appreciated. See you at the library!

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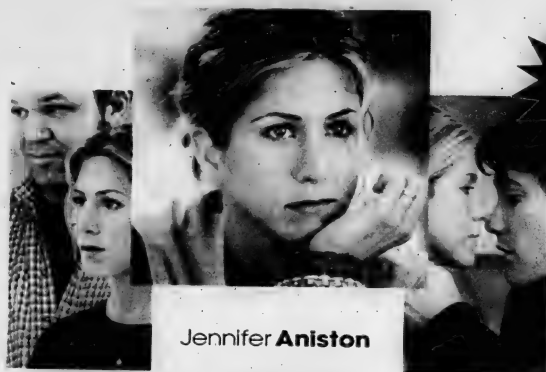
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Cooper Wild Kids meet the Belleville Bulls



The Wild Kids met the Belleville Bulls and defeated Bancroft.

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Grizzlies moving to semifinals

By Barb Stevens

NOVICE—On Feb. 27th the Novices had Home Ice advantage playing host to the Norwood Hornets. Centre Hastings player Shawn Peeling, assisted by Samuel Walsh lit up the scoreboard at 9:01 in the 1st period. Norwood then tied up at 3:01, then popped in another at 5:40 in the 2nd. Centre Hastings came back and tied it up again with a goal being scored by Isaac Shin. The 3rd period the Grizzlies fought hard but the Hornets found the net 2 more times to win the game 4-2. On Sunday March 2nd the Deseronto Bulldogs travelled to Marmora to challenge the Grizzlies. This was a well matched game with the Bulls

dogs pulling ahead to win the game 4-3. Centre Hastings goals scored by Samuel Walsh with a beauty "Hat Trick", with the assists going to Isaac Shin, Shawn Peeling (2) and Adam Denny.

PEEWEE—On Saturday March 1st the Grizzlies hosted Norwood in Madoc. They played a great game even though they had a shortened bench that day but were defeated 10-2. Grizzlies goals scored by Billy Maguire (2) assisted by Biquette Gray, Cody Wood and Harrison Shin.

MIDGET—On Saturday March 1st the Marmora Arena had a full house when

the Centre Hastings Grizzlies swept the opposing Almaguin team off their feet in a close 6-5 victory win. Game 3 saw Centre Hastings teammates pull together and fight for the win. Grizzlies goals were scored by George Derry (2), Brennan Tuckett with a "Hat Trick", Chad McLean and the assists came from Ryan Auger (2), Brad Morton, Greg Smith (3) and Shawn Trotter. Excellent game Grizzlies!!! The next day on March 2nd the Grizzlies travelled to the Burk's Falls Arena to have a re-match against Almaguin. Once again, the Grizzlies dominated the game and took home the 5-2 victory win. Centre Hastings goals were scored by Josh Leaver, Brennan Tuckett, Brad Robinson, Greg Smith and Shawn Trotter. The great passes came from Greg Smith, Mike Stein (2), Travis Gordon, Josh Moore, George Derry and Shawn Tuckett, this brings the Midgets tied at 2-2. Game with Game 5 being held in Madoc on Saturday March 8th at 3:00 p.m.

Semi finals: come out and cheer on your midgets and juveniles. Both series are tied and this weekend will be the greatest of all games.

• Saturday March 8th the Midgets vs Almaguin in Madoc Arena at 3:00 p.m.
• Saturday March 8th the Juveniles vs Douro in Marmora Arena at 8:00 p.m.

The Cooper Wild Kids travelled to the Yardman arena last Wednesday night to see the Belleville Bulls in action. We had tried to keep this game a secret for quite some time, but by 5:00 p.m. at practice, the cat was out of the bag. The girls were so excited that practice was a bit of a loss, but who cares, this is what hockey is all about. When the girls came around the corner and saw the coach Bus from Foley Bus Lines, this has been an experience of a lifetime, something the Wild Kids and their families will remember for the rest of their lives.

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Exhibition game

On Sunday, March 2, the Wild Kids hosted an exhibition game which was the Bancroft Bantam B team. Some of the girls from the

Bancroft team, including their goalie, were missing. Special thanks to Missy Blakely, who helped out in a pinch. The Wild Kids experience proved to be to much for the Bancroft team and the Wild Kids dominated the play the entire game. Goals were scored by Brittany Gray (2), Erin Hennessey (2), Katelyn DeClair (1), Lacey Burkitt (1) and Melissa Martin (1); with assists going to Katelyn DeClair, Lacey Burkitt, Celeste Bonter, Mackenzie Anger, Bailey McCullough, Jocelyne Hudgins, Ragan Danford, Riley Dunford, Ashley Brock, Andrea McAlhany & Brittany Gray. Way to go Wild Kids.....We are currently trying to schedule some exhibition games for the next few Sunday's at 5:00 p.m. at the Madoc arena, come and check out the Cooper Wild Kids.

Council defers payment

By Lawrence McAllister

Mike Sniderhan, chairman of the Central Hastings Sustainable Communities Association (CHSCA), went before Centre Hastings council last week to update them and find \$7500, but council decided to wait for more information.

Sniderhan thanked council for their role in the CHSCA, pointing out the work done by Councillors Harrop and Schulz in particular. He said two nurses practitioners would be starting in Marmora on March 3rd, and a nurse should be available for Madoc by the end of March.

Dr. Yorston began her work as Madoc's new doctor last Monday.

Sniderhan said Marmora and Lake has agreed to administer the operation as an 'in kind' payment and has also contributed \$7500 as 'seed money'. He asked for the same amount from Centre Hastings, noting that he will also ask Tweed and Madoc Township. Tweed's Gateway Community Health Centre recently relinquished control of its nurse in Marmora to the CHSCA, and it is this funding that will be moved and used to bring one

to Madoc. Tweed's Health Centre board then withdrew from the CHSCA, maintaining it was never formally a part of it to begin with.

Expanding mandate

Sniderhan asked council to consider expanding the CHSCA's mandate to allow them to get into tourism and economic development.

When Reeve Tom Deline questioned what the funds would be used for, Sniderhan said it will be to create a "buffer zone" to pay for nurses' costs until there is cash flow. Reeve Deline cautioned the CHSCA to not forget its purpose, which was to find nurse practitioners.

Taking a cautious approach, it was moved by new Councillor Bob Cooney and seconded by Dave Shultz to defer the decision for the

funding until the municipality receives copies of the CHSCA's by-law, letters patent, financial reports and budget, and their mandate and mission statement.

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32 unit condo coming to Madoc

By Lawrence McAllister

ADJAN Development received approval for rezoning at last week's Centre Hastings council, and after the nod from Hastings County, the way will be clear to build a 32 unit condominium project in the village of Madoc.

Owner Adam Richardson, who works closely with his wife Janet, is clearly enthusiastic about the project, in a way that few developers are. "The wildlife comes right to the edge of the property," he said, "and

we want to maintain the environmental aesthetic."

The 5 acre plot of land, to the south of CHSS and fronting on McNab Street, is sided by environmentally protected areas. Richardson applied a preliminary drawing for the site's layout but stressed that it was almost certainly going to change, as he wants to preserve mature trees in the northeast corner of the property.

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Condos coming to Madoc

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In addition a consultant is checking Janet Richardson's floor plans to ensure they will result in accessible adult living space.

With this in mind, each unit will be a single floor and have a garage. They will be, Richardson said, practical and affordable at about 1100 square feet each.

Richardson has been involved in development and other independent business ventures for a number of years, and said "the professionalism of the local tradesmen is as good as I've seen anywhere, if not better." He and Janet built a home on the Black River not far from Lingham Lake, near a area known locally as 'Bare Bum Beach', and this is what convinced him that "ultimately, local tradespeople are always competitive," and pay great attention to detail while remaining so.

The beach, or Triplebee as he calls it with a chuckle, has been a local swimming hole for a century or more, and he was pleased when local residents congratulated him on constructing a home well suited to the rural na-



Developer Adam Richardson showing the view to be had when the condos will be built.

ture of the area.

Richardson's intention is to call the development 'Quarty Hollow', as the site was the location of the original quarry used to build a good part of Madoc, and he's told that some Madoc residents remember swimming in the quarry waters. A stone bridge over which horse and cart transported quarried stone still exists on the property, and he plans on integrating the bridge with a

walking path for residents.

The developer hopes to begin work in the spring, and have 2 buildings of 6 or less units each ready to be lived in "by Christmas," he said, noting he has already heard interest expressed by potential owners. Richardson is sure the development will be a popular one, and stressed that it will be but two blocks distant from, for example, IGA. On a recent tour of the property, he swept his hand

to indicate a bit of the view future residents will enjoy. "Where else," he asked, "will you be able to look out your back window and see fields and protected woodlands, and yet step out your front door and be right in town?"

Those interested can call the Richardsons at 613-473-2575.

On-Road or Off-Road - Don't Drink and Drive



Ready to roll: Kerri Janopoulos of the Health Unit and Sylvia Curry of MADD with OPP officers in front of the Andrew Gordon OPP detachment.

15 snowmobile deaths this season so far

Whether you are on-road or off, one message is clear - don't drink and drive. This message comes from the Ontario Provincial Police, Central Hastings Detachment, Hastings and Prince Edward Counties Health Unit and the Quinte Chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD). The Health Unit and the Central Hastings OPP have recently formed a partnership to work together to reduce injuries and deaths related to alcohol. A number of initiatives are planned for the upcoming year and will address drinking and driving on the roadways, the snowmobile trails and the waterways.

Concerned about the increase in alcohol-related

tragedies on the snowmobile trails this year, MADD Quinte Chapter sponsored a snowmobile RIDE program on Sunday, March 2. It was conducted by five officers from the Central Hastings OPP, including an officer cadet.

In the 2003 season, Ontario has seen 15 snowmobile deaths. Impaired driving and excessive speeds are cited as the two most common causes for snowmobile deaths and injuries.

"We are concerned about the recent trends and needless deaths in what is supposed to be a fun, family winter sport," says Sylvie Curry, president of MADD Quinte Chapter. MADD Canada is working with the Canadian Council of Snowmobile Organizations to reduce to incidence of alcohol-related crashes.

Initiatives such as RIDE

can lower these tragic statistics and make trails safer for all.

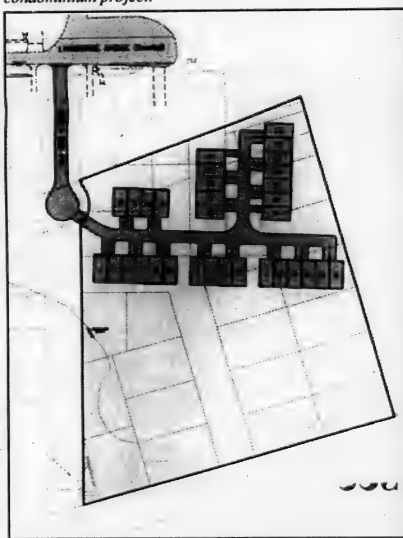
Madoc Library News

By Susan Smith

The Madoc Public Library will be initiating two new programs in April of this year. Starting April 5th, and running every Saturday till the end of June, there will be a storytime from 11 am - 11:30 am, geared to children of preschool age up to grade 2. Please come and read and check out our new children's books. We will also be running a program for seniors who would like an introduction to the land of the internet and e-mail. This program will be offered on Thursday evenings beginning April 3, from 6 - 7 pm. Please register at the library or phone 473-4456, because space is limited.

Also on Saturdays begin-

ning in April we will be having a weekly booksale on the lower level. This booksale will take place until the end of June at which time Friends' of the Library "Bookworm" will reopen.



If you are wondering what to do with your children during March Break don't forget to register your children (ages 6 and up) for the cartooning workshop on March 12 from 2-4pm. It promises to be a lot of fun.

The Library Board of the Madoc Public Library and Cultural Centre would like to take this opportunity to extend a big thanks to all those who attended and those who assisted in the planning and preparation for the Grand Opening on Feb. 15, 2003.

Thanks for making it such a special day.

Susan Smith is the CEO of the Madoc Public Library.

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Members of the Sacred Heart Garden Club are showing off the wind chimes that they created on Feb. 28. Back row, left to right, Heather Lautenbach, Brooke Atwell, Leah Collyer, Caley Brown, Megan Whalen, Maggie McKinlay, Nichelle Leeson, Natasha Kiss, Megan Kiss and Courtney McDonnell. Front row, left to right, Kinsley Tuckett, Cassie Morrison, Kaitlyn Cassidy, Rita Oates, Hannah O'Connor, Elizabeth Oates, Salina McEwen, Carina McEwen, and Chris Payer. Missing from the photo is Brooke Armstrong. photo/J. Seaborn

Garden Club plans Spring events

by Ailsa Wood

Marmora - Garden Club member Brian Scott has organized a Spring Garden Contest. This will be the first of two contests, sponsored by Mary Provost and Leisa Trumble, to take place in Marmora and Lake this year.

Master Gardener Glenn Bennett of Stirling will judge the competitions. Entry forms will be available at Drummond's, Stedman's and Royal LePage. The Garden Club invites everyone to show off their spring blooms.

The club is organizing a March Break program for children. Flower pot crafts will be offered, Wednesday, March 12 from 10am to noon at the Town Hall. Parents may register their children by calling Rose Payer at 472-2057. The cost is \$5 per

child.

Club members are preparing for their big fundraising plant and garage sale to be held on May 17. They are potting up house plants and starting plants from seeds and cuttings.

local gardens will also be available.

The next meeting of the Garden Club is Tuesday, March 11 at 7pm at the Town Hall. The speaker will be Pat Chambers. Ms Chambers is a Master Gardener and her topic will be Weeds. Everyone is welcome.

Hardy perennials from

Former administrator is Municipal Advisor

by Wilma Bush

Marmora - Carol Church, the former administrator of the Village of Marmora, is now working at the Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs in Kingston.

She is responsible for municipalities in Leeds and Grenville and is shadowing the Senior Housing Advisor on the City of Kawartha Lakes.

Ms Church will also be taking over the advisor responsibilities once the housing side becomes busier this Spring. Because of her past

experience, she is often the 'go to' person for questions regarding municipal elections.

Ms Church started working in the municipal sector in 1975 and was administrator and treasurer in the Village of Marmora from November 1981 until amalgamation.

Her many Marmora friends are proud of her accomplishments and wish her continued success in her new position.



Left to right - Chantal Allore got 3rd place in Preliminary A Granny Smith Freeskat, 2nd in Preliminary B Cameo Elements. Dianna Patrick placed 3rd in Preliminary B Cameo Freeskat and 1st in Preliminary Cameo Elements. Both skaters are members of the Marmora Skating Club. The skaters competed in the Apple S "Pie" Rals competitions on February 22. photo submitted

Historian seeks exact date of first fair

by Gerald Belanger

Marmora - In September, 1990, the local Agricultural Society celebrated the 100th anniversary of the Marmora Fall Fair. Dignitaries and special guests were invited to help with the opening ceremonies.

A special 100th anniversary heritage program book containing 43 pages was also published. St. Paul's Anglican Church Women (ACW) was commissioned by the society to design and make a centennial quilt to mark the fair's anniversary.

Recently, while researching some old copies of the Stirling News-Argus newspapers, I came across several articles relating to the Marmora Fall Fair. They are as follows:

"The Marmora Herald editor attended the Rawdon township fair last week and says - 'in conversation with several farmers of Rawdon township our reporter gleaned that should an Agricultural Society be established in Marmora, the farmers of that township would contribute to its maintenance and bring their exhibits to this point. The wish is that a fair may be established at Marmora.'" (Stirling News-Argus Oct. 14, 1897)

"It appears that the Rawdon Agricultural Society has ceased to operate. The Society has been carried on under difficulties for the past few years, and the directors have thought it best to discontinue the struggle. However, it looks

like one will soon be organized in Marmora, and this will obtain considerable support from the Northern portion of Rawdon." (Stirling News-Argus, Dec. 1st, 1898).

The Stirling News Argus newspaper reported on January 19, 1899: "An Agricultural Society has been formed in Marmora. J. W. Pearce is President; James McComb, 1st Vice-Pres., Dan Dunlay, 2nd Vice-Pres. and Secretary-Treasurer is R. Snell. The directors are Hugh Shannon, W. E. Gladney, J. W. Haight, C. A. Bleecker, John Green, D. McComb and Captain John O'Neill."

The same newspaper on October 5, 1899, stated: "A number from town attended

the fair at Marmora on Tuesday, and report it was quite a success, it being the first exhibition of the kind held there."

I am hoping that the 1990 Fair Board executive made up of Don Barnes, Jim Bateman, Linda Bertrand, Doris Bedore, Anne Brownson, Marjorie Doyle, Judy Backus, Lee Thomas, Roy Shortt, Doug Brownson, Bob Stiles, Mary Binette (President), Ted Bedore (Vice President) and Nancy Stiles (Secretary Treasurer) can shed some solid historical information concerning the exact date of the first Marmora Fall Fair.

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Tense Moment—It's a tense moment at the Campbellford Rebels' end of the ice as goalie John Cranston and two of his teammates follow the puck in the opener of the Empire League final series. The first period action saw the Rebels take a 1-0 lead and go on to register a 9-1 victory in game one. Photo/Rolly Ethier.

High-flying Rebels post sixth consecutive playoff victory in Empire finals

By Rolly Ethier

Napanee—Six consecutive playoff victories have left the ever-improving Campbellford Rebels thinking of an unbeaten march to the Empire League junior C championship. And who can blame them?

"They're playing with awesome poise and determination," summed up Coach Doug (Mugger) Hart after the Rebels blanked the Napanee Raiders 2-0 here Tuesday night. The victory followed on the heels of a 9-1 cruise-control triumph in the opener of the best-of-seven championship round Saturday night on Campbellford ice.

After sweeping past the Picton Pirates four straight in the first round, the Rebels held a 2-0 lead heading into game three Wednesday night in Campbellford.

With goalie John Cranston putting together a well-deserved shutout by turning aside 20 shots, Campbellford poured it on at the other end of the ice. Rebels would have won more decisively had it not been for the gilt-edged performance of Kevin McKenzie, who was voted the game's number one star for his 35-save performance.

Rebels opened the scoring at 15:30 of period one with Raider rearguard Jon Hull off for tripping. Jesse Cassidy found winger Adam Scott loose on the backdoor play and McKenzie was unable to recover in time to stop the one-timer.

It remained 1-0 until 4:18 of the final period when centre Phil Darrington redirected a low slapper by Jamie McComb.

Goalie Almost Scores
One of the highlights was Cranston's empty net attempt for a goal as the Raiders employed a sixth attacker. His shot was long enough but was wide left.

Rebels made it look easy in the opener last Saturday, showing an eight-goal margin at the finish. It was hard to explain the Raiders' performance as they turned in a lacklustre effort. Rebels blew a tight 1-0 first period lead wide open with five unanswered goals in the second period.

Rebels held a wide territorial advantage in the first period but scored only once as Adam Scott found McKenzie's five-hole.

Rebel fans were still settling into their seats for the second period when leftwinger Dave Fischer tallied his second game-winner of the playoffs. He scored on a low ice skimmer from 10 feet.

Sean McNamara fired his first goal of the season—a 45-footer high over McKenzie's glove. Then Jesse Cassidy, who spear-

Sexual Assault Centre receives funding

Domestic violence victims and sexually assaulted or abused children will benefit from an additional \$130,000 in funding from the provincial government headed by Ernie Eves. The money has been made available for the Quinte Health Care Corporation's Sexual Assault Treatment Centre.


The announcement was made by Dr. Doug Galt, MPP for Northumberland, on behalf of Health and Long-Term Care Minister Tony Clement.

"Victims of domestic violence, sexual assault or abuse require the expertise of a Sexual Assault Treatment Centre equipped to meet the needs of victims," said Dr. Galt. "This funding will ensure that the medical care, support and follow-up treatment necessary is available, as well as accessible."


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FARMFEST 2003

A Salute to the Farming Industry



From picking rocks and cleaning chicken coops to Minister of Agriculture – and back again

By Nancy Derrer

Havelock – A 200-acre homestead on Baker Road, just north of the Village of Havelock in Belmont Township, has been in the family since being given to Peter Buchanan as a land grant in October 1834. Peter Buchanan acquired the land from Queen Victoria upon his discharge as a Sergeant from the 31st Regiment of Foot Soldiers. Peter's first dwelling was made of mud, the second a one-room log home where he and his wife raised 13 children.

Elmer, the Buchanan currently living on the land, grew up there and went on to become the Member of the Provincial Parliament for Peterborough County and Ontario Minister of Agriculture and Rural Affairs from 1990-1995. He was one of only two Ministers in the Bob Rae NDP government who started and finished with the same portfolio. The year 1990 was the first and last time Buchanan was elected but not the first time he had run for office; he was a candidate in every provincial election since 1977 while a teacher in Hastings County.

Mr. Buchanan graduated from SS #1 Belmont (North School), Norwood District High School, Peterborough Teacher's College and Queen's University. The eldest of three sons, the boys knew that when they got home from school their job was to pick rocks.

"Every time a field was ploughed, more rocks were turned up and it was our job to move them to what became the stone fence along the driveway." Since moving back to the property in



The original chicken coop is still functioning on the farm, where Buchanan raises Rhode Island Red Hens and brown eggs.

June 2001, he's occupying the same bedroom he had as a youngster and slowly but surely preserving the barns, some of which are log, and the two-story brick home. It was Elmer's grandfather who built this home around 1900; and he has a photograph hanging in the house showing everyone, horse and buggies included, standing in front of the home in their Sunday best, with his grandparents standing on a second floor porch that has since been removed.

"I don't know whether I'll be the last Buchanan to farm this land," he said, "it's the great unknown at this point." His two brothers have moved away, one to Toronto, the other to Calgary, and neither of his sons, Paul who is a chartered accountant in Toronto nor Todd who will graduate from Laurier University in 2003 with tentative plans to attend Teacher's College in the fall, seems inclined to take up farming.

Elmer retired from teaching and living in Madoc 18 months ago and admits the biggest hurdle to overcome in turning the farm into a larger operation is the lack

of water in the barn. "My job, as a youngster, was to chop a hole in the creek to get water for the animals. I'm not up to that anymore," he laughs.

To date, he's been raising turkeys for meat and chickens for eggs; the henhouse is filled with Rhode Island Red hens with one pair of White Rock chickens as the start of meat stock. He rents out some of the land as grazing land but is looking into putting it to his own use, perhaps grazing beef, raising pigs or maybe something more exotic, such as alpaca that is raised for the value of its wool. His main concern is protecting any future four-footed animals from predators, such as coyotes that are known to howl right outside his bedroom window. His other interests include gardening and community development.

Buchanan sees few changes in Ontario agriculture since the 1950's. "There are no cash crops in this area and farmers who survive do so because the spouse works part-time or drives a school bus to pay the bills.

As well," he argues, "while a lot of non-farmers have RRSP's or retirement plans, a farmer has a milk quota or a \$200,000 combine which must provide for his retirement. He sees farmers' biggest concerns being the cycles that farmers face (good years and bad years usually brought on by climate) as well as being 'price takers'.

"If they raise beef or pork,

they sell them at auction and are forced to take whatever they can get. If they are part of the supply market (milk, eggs, turkeys or chickens) the price is set by a board based on the cost of production and some profit. The downside is that the cost of purchasing a quota has escalated to such an extent that it's impossible for new people to get in."

World trade is another problem facing today's farmers. He notes the new farm bill in the U.S., that pours dollars into farmers' pockets, leaves Canadian farmers at a disadvantage. As minister of agriculture, he tried to provide a stable safety net with long term solutions to the feast-or-famine roller coaster ride that

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One of the original log barns on the 200-acre Buchanan farm in Belmont Township.

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faces the industry.

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"I think the Ukraine, not Canada, will become the major producer of the world's food requirements, once they acquire more technology and better transportation facilities to get their products to market."

At the same time as he is turning the homestead back into a farming enterprise, Buchanan is principal of a small private school in Deloro, Edmund Rice School, a two-room school serving New Ark group homes in the area. A total of 20 boys, aged from 10 to 17, are currently enrolled. The school has two full time teachers, two part-time teachers as well as youth workers. All children are wards of the Children's Aid and live in group homes in Deloro. At home, Buchanan



Elmer Buchanan is tying his hopes of expanding his poultry operation on this White Rock chicken and its mate that will mark the beginning of a 'meat' operation this year.

Photo/Nancy Derrer

and his wife, Lee Resmer, are foster parents to two children who attend local schools.

"There's a growing need for homes for children," he says. "The more I read, the more I learn about fetal al-

cohol syndrome and other conditions that affect a child's ability to learn. And there are fewer resources in the public system to help these kids."

Although Buchanan has retired from the rigors of the

public school system and moved back to the family homestead with plans to turn the 200 acres into a viable farm, he certainly still has one foot firmly planted in each camp and feels a deep responsibility to both.

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Public protest against 'mega pig farm' well-organized

Editor's note: This is a continuation of a story that was started last week.

By Brian Dunning

Tweed - Although council members say public opposition to a proposed "mega pig farm" played no part in their decision to rescind a building permit for the \$1.4 million barn it is obvious that opposition had an effect. The issue of the Intensive Livestock Operation, (ILO), first became public last November. A report from the Chief Building Inspector Jim Shiner, released by council on the number of permits issued during the month of October showed a permit had been issued for Mark Slack and Co. Inc. for a "new barn" valued at \$1,421,660 at 739 Kinlin Road, (east of the village of Tweed). When questioned about the permit council indicated it was for a swine weaning operation. Mr. Slack planned to build an 80,000-square foot barn to house 1300 pigs. The resulting liquid manure from the operation was to be stored in two 20,000-gallon lagoons.

When this information became public the December 3rd meeting of council drew a standing room only crowd of people opposed to the ILO. Speaker after speaker berated council members for allowing the permit to be approved, even with conditions. At the time council defended issuing the permit saying Mr. Slack had followed all required legal steps. Further, they said, the land in question was zoned for agricultural use, as such there were no grounds to deny the permit as long as the conditions attached were met. One of those conditions was that Mr. Slack had to prepare a nutrient management plan showing how he planned to handle disposal of

the manure.

Subsequent meetings of council were attended by numerous delegations all voicing opposition to the operation. In addition council received dozens of letters from people demanding the building permit be rescinded. That letter writing campaign accumulated with close to 400 letters being delivered to council on Feb. 18th.

It was at that meeting when in a surprise move council passed a motion instructing the building inspector to rescind the building permit. They also announced council would be bringing in a bylaw for the "interim control of livestock operations" at the March 4th meeting. They did that and gave it the required three readings to become law.

The issue of ILOs pre-dates the issuing of the building permit in October 2002. In the spring of 2000 and again in 2001 Mr. Slack tried to get permission to build a weaning operation in Stone Mills Township twice, and twice he was turned down. He also looked at Tyendinaga Township but was deterred when they put an interim control bylaw in place.

In April 2001 Jill Smith, a founding member of the Concerned Citizens for our Community Environments, made a presentation to Tweed council urging them to enact a control bylaw.

Ms. Smith said at the time the Municipality of Tweed could be facing the same situation as Stone Mills and Tyendinaga if they didn't pass such a bylaw. It turned out she was right.

Strangely, although a building permit was issued to Mr. Slack last fall and the subsequent public opposition exploded when that became public it wasn't until Feb. 19th the municipality issued

a rare press release on the subject. In that release they state "council and staff have been preparing a new zoning bylaw to regulate the use of land and the erection or use of buildings within defined areas of the municipality." However, at no time between November 2002 and Feb. 18th of this year did they indicate a separate interim control bylaw for livestock operations was in the works.

In January of this year a public meeting was called where a coalition of opponents to the farm was formed called "Farms, Not Factories". A well-organized letter writing campaign was the main tactic used by this group to persuade council to rescind the building permit. Form letters were prepared and distributed. Those letters read: "To whom it may concern: I strongly object to the establishment of a hog factory at 739 Kinlin Road in the Municipality of Tweed. I feel that this facility would have a destructive impact on our community. I believe that" and this point a blank space was left for written comments followed by space for a signature, address and telephone number.

The municipality also received E-mails, typed letters, hand-written letters and even some printed letters all voicing opposition to the pig farm.

Local authors, artisans, university instructors, filmmakers and historians were joined by a number of prominent residents all expressing their opposition. Environment groups such as the Sierra Club of Canada and the Federation of Ontario Naturalists also sent letters of opposition.

There were some presentations and letters of support for Mr. Slack from area farmers. They are concerned

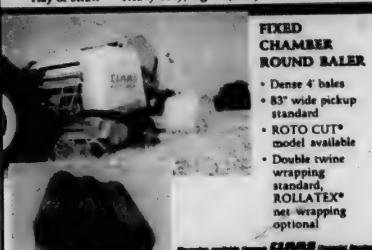
if an agricultural operation, even if it is a big one, is stopped that could adversely affect them should they decide to expand their operations.

Opponents to ILOs, however, argue small family farms will be hurt by large "corporate farm factories," which are driven by profit not concern for the environment or the communities in which they are located. They say if these kinds of operations are allowed to proliferate, family farms will disappear from the land even faster than they are now.

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What NMA means to small livestock farms

By Lawrence McAllister

Farm Categories

Categories 1 to 9 have been established to help determine which requirements from the act will apply to each farm, and the date by which they must be in place.

Farms are defined as generators of nutrient materials (e.g., a dairy operation), receivers of nutrient materials (e.g., a cash crop operation), or both (e.g., a mixed farm).

For every type of livestock, the number of animals per nutrient unit has been calculated and is in a chart in the protocols of the regulation.

Responsibilities

A small livestock farmer's key responsibility is to complete two documents, a nutrient management strategy and a nutrient management plan. Once prepared these documents are valid for 5 years unless there are major changes in the operation.

A nutrient management strategy (NMS) document accounts for the all the manure or other nutrients that the farm produces. If the farm doesn't generate manure or other nutrients, then it does not need a NMS document.

A nutrient management plan (NMP) accounts for the application of manure or other nutrients to land on a field by field basis. If manure is applied, then a plan is required, even if the manure was obtained from somewhere else.

If farmers choose to complete a NMS document or NMP (or both) on their own, they'll be required to

take the ministry's training course.

Farmers may hire a consultant to develop their NMS document and/or NMP, as long as that consultant has a Nutrient Management Planning license from OMAF.

The Short Version NMS Document/NMP

The draft regulations include a shortened NMS/NMP for those farm units that can identify their operations as being at very low risk environmentally.

Application Standards

From the day the regulation is enacted, the application of any nutrients must comply with the setbacks from private and municipal wells as well as setbacks from surface water that are in effect until any buffers are in place.

The draft regulation brings with it other land application standards, which will become effective on the date that farmers are required to prepare their nutrient management plan or nutrient management strategy document.

1. Required setbacks from residences, and health or education facilities

2. Required setbacks from surface water such as creeks, lakes, and streams

3. Application rate limitations based on the depth to bedrock and groundwater

4. Loading limits for any one application for liquid nutrients

5. Limited winter application rates and increased setbacks

6. No application on frozen or snow-covered ground

7. Monitoring of tile drainage when applying nutrients to tiled land

8. Automatic shutoff capabilities for direct-flow application systems

9. Limited application in the capture zones for groundwater around municipal wells.

New Or Expanding

On new or expanding operations, the draft regulation is specific to appropriate building sites and who can design any new storages. Liquid nutrient storage must have 240 days' capacity. For solid nutrients, the storage capacity will be determined by the NMP. Barns and storage structures need to be located at least 100 metres (328 feet) from municipal wells.

Maple syrup season

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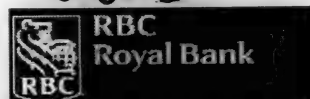
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Public protest

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The issue is far from settled and probably won't be until the provincial government puts regulations in place under the Nutrient Management Act passed last year. For now the province is allowing municipalities to pass interim control bylaws but they become void when regulations to the act are passed.



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Marje Lunn's rink takes Cardwell Memorial spiel

Family fun event gives everyone a charge

By Bill Freeman

Asphodel-Norwood - At least 88 people hit the ice at the Norwood Curling Club Saturday for the 2003 edition of the George Cardwell Memorial 2+2 Novice Championship. The annual family fun spiel brings together novice curlers, their parents and friends in a three-draw extravaganza that has become a much-enjoyed tradition during the past two decades.

Taking the "C" draw and the overall title was Marje Lunn's team of Ron English, Max Barker and Eric English. Frances Cardwell was on hand to present the championship trophy. Second place went to John Weatherup's rink of Jordan Wrightly, Terry Armstrong and Kyle Armstrong. They topped the "A" draw.

Taking "B" draw honours and third place overall was Duane Scott's team of Tyler Leeming, Cory Leeming and Kirsten Bruce.

"It was a special day for young curlers," said Sharon Scott, a long-time promoter of youth curling at the Norwood Curling Club and 18-year veteran of the Cardwell Memorial.

Mrs. Scott offered special words of thanks to Sandy



Cardwell Memorial winners: Frances Cardwell (centre) was on hand to present the George Cardwell Memorial Trophy to Marje Lunn's rink who captured the "C" draw and the overall title Saturday. On Marje's team was Ron English, Eric English and Max Barker. Joining the photo as well is Sharon Scott one of the bonspiel's key organizers.

Photo/Bill Freeman

Bruce and Dave Harris, two key volunteers who work closely with the 40 youngsters enrolled in the novice program.

"We had a wonderful time (it) couldn't have been done without your dedication," said Mrs. Scott.

She added that next year's goal is to add a junior program to complement the novice program. She was making an early request for organizational volunteers to help fulfill this objective.

Mrs. Scott also mentioned that the relatively small Club with its 80 members has managed to pare its \$35,000 ice

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Carnival magic

Dazzling: The Norwood District Figure Skating Club dazzled fans during their Musical Colours On Ice extravaganza. It was a perfect blend of choreographed magic and favourite songs. More photos on Pg. 10-A.

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Missed chances hurt Hornets in Lucknow

By Bill Freeman

Lucknow - The Norwood Midget "A" Hornets failed to cash in on opportunities in their OMHA "C" semi-final opener in Lucknow and it cost them a 4-2 loss. They bounced back the following afternoon with a strong game and a 2-2 overtime that was highlighted by the spectacular goaltending of Jeff Quinlan in the third period and extra frame.

The J.J. Stewart Motors crew will try to even the series Saturday evening (8:30 pm). Game four is slated for Sunday (2 pm).

In their opener Norwood failed on all seven powerplay opportunities then rifled two shots off the cross bar in the third period and slipped the puck past three empty nets.

"It was a pretty dismal first two periods," said Coach Greg Hartwick.

The team managed to get on track in the third.

It was 1-1 after the first with Tyler Heffernan, from Aaron Main and Ryan Hebor, assisting. Lucknow held a 3-1 lead after the second. Norwood responded with a goal by Jamie Bowman in the third with Heffernan assisting. Lucknow would add one more to double the score.

Coach Hartwick said the team also took too many penalties and that cost them a goal. Failing on their chances let the home side off the hook.

In game two, the Hornets held a 2-0 lead going into the third period but two costly defensive mistakes allowed Lucknow to get back in the game and hold on for the tie.

"It was a very strong game," Coach Hartwick said of his team's performance.

But for the two turnovers in the third, Norwood would have had the two points.

It was 0-0 after one. Norwood took the lead in the second on a goal by Ray Bradley with assists to Jason Heron and Kyle Semlitch. Travis Wannamaker made it 2-0 with assists to Main and Bradley.

Quinlan stood on his head in the third and in overtime to keep the score at 2-2.



Razzle, dazzle in Norwood!

The Norwood District Figure Skating Club's big Musical Colours On Ice did not disappoint fans who packed the chilly coliseum Sunday afternoon. Mixing songs that paid tribute to some form of colour, the skaters added their own distinctive moves in routines that have taken months to plan.

Photos/Bill Freeman



Bantam Hornets battle tough in Hastings Cup play

Asphodel-Norwood - The Centennial Pharmacy/Norwood Home Hardware Bantam Hornets have jumped into Hastings Cup round robin play.

The Otonabee Wolves skated away with two points after a 3-2 win to start things off. Jeb Huggins found the mesh on a centering pass from Sawyer Gerow. The St. James Bulldogs took a bite out of the Hornets with a 4-1 win.

Jordan Wrightly was the lone scorer for Norwood with play-making help from Brad Walsh.

The third team in the pool is the Douro Dukes who provided a very balanced and entertaining game with the Hornets. When the snow had settled the Dukes had eked out a 4-3 win.

Darren Rioux opened things for the Hornets with assists to Josh Clouston and Wrightly. Heidi Marchant made a precision pass to Huggins who cashed it in. The final scorer's notation went to Gerow from John Karmazyn and Rioux.

Norwood's tough luck continued in their match with Baltimore losing a heart-breaking 2-1 game. Bud Shearer combined with Tyler McIlmoyle and Clouston for the Hornets scoring entry.

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Responsible journalism to this reporter means twisted "facts"

Letter To The Editor

As a regular reader of the Campbellford Courier, an occasional reader of the Community Press, and as a former journalist whose beat included Trent Hills, I would like to say I've had just about enough of the James Fisher show.

Although I believe in a free press, and unfettered access to public information whenever possible, I know that, with privilege, comes enormous responsibility.

Mr. Fisher has proven, repeatedly, that his idea of a responsible press includes the consistent publishing of inaccurate, exaggerated, and deliberately twisted "facts" to suit his own personal journalistic agenda.

In recent diatribes, Mr. Fisher repeatedly writes about how the taxpayers of Trent Hills are taking it on the chin in everything from government-funded programs, to residential development. At the same time, to the best of my knowledge, Mr. Fisher has yet to pay a single property tax dollar to Trent Hills, or any of its former municipalities. He occupies abandoned, or seasonal properties after locating their owners, and negotiating occupancy in exchange for "handyman services."

In fact, it was not too long after locating one such property in the neighbouring municipality of Cramahe, an abandoned farm owned by a former Trent Hills employee, that he began publicly attacking that same person after his request to occupy the place was denied. One would be wise to ask Mr. Fisher why he is so persistent in his persecution of

various municipal officials and private citizens...if it's not a personal vendetta. Time and again reporters for the Courier, and The Independent, have disproved his "facts" and published information, from the same sources Mr. Fisher attributes, with real facts that contradict stories printed by

the Community Press.

I hear now that Mr. Fisher is retiring from journalism because he is "tired" of the business. May I suggest, James, you may be leaving the profession because local newspaper readers are just plain tired of you.

Tom Philp
Colborne, Ontario

Elk re-collaring an amazing feat in restoration process

By Rolly Ethier

Avid outdoorsman Murray Locke, as someone who has been involved with the North Hastings Bancroft Elk Restoration Project for a number of years, is extremely impressed with the recent re-collaring of elk cows through a daring process with a helicopter.

The Bancroft Times, in a recent article by Barry Hendon told of how technology played a key role as 10 elk cows five of them born in Bancroft, were collared with GPS units thanks to the Bighorn Helicopter Service.

"It's quite amazing how good these guys are in successfully collaring the elk," noted Locke. The Bighorn crew located three cows before the fixed wing left Peterborough Jan. 29th. At locations near Lingham Lake, Kalamandir and Deloro the crew fired a gun launched net over the elk from the helicopter, landed the aircraft, tethered and blindfolded the animal to keep it calm and then attached a new GPS collar.

Ten Cows Collared

The Bighorn crew, with extensive experience netting elk, caribou, moose and wolves, had collared eight elk with assistance from Dr. Rick Rosatte of the MNR and Jas Langis, the University of Guelph biologist, before the start of the first day. The next day the crew collared another designated cow near Maynooth and then chose a cow without a collar at Lingham Lake for the tenth and final elk.

Local Implementation Committee co-chair John O'Donnell of the Elk Restoration Unit in Bancroft terms the collaring a tremendous accomplishment in the elk restoration project. He said the effort has significant future impacts on the local project and the entire long-term Ontario Elk Restoration project.

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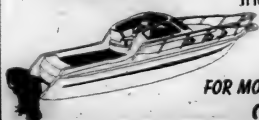
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Rebels continue playoff magic

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headed the Rebels defensive muscle, connected with a wicked 60 footer past a screened McKenzie. Darrington added a pair, his second on a "spinerama" as the late Danny Gallivan made famous.

Justin Loucks, Justin Lowe and Andy Smith added singletons past a shell-shocked McKenzie.

Ice Chips: Prince Edward County resident **Lewis Dainard** was the winner of the Rebels power tool sponsored by John Rogers.

Coach **Mugger Hart** was shaking his head at the small turnout, obviously disappointed that only 293 patrons turned up for game one. **Lakefield Chiefs** lead **Georgina Ice 2-0** in the Central League junior C final. Many observers believe an OHA series pitting the Rebels and Chiefs would be a dandy that is bound to create a lot of interest in both centres.

Atom Hornets in round robin battle

Asphodel-Norwood - The Archer Trucking Atom Hornets headed to Baltimore for the first of a two game round robin. The teams were evenly matched right to the end. Steven Walsh was hot on his stick as he fired in both of the Hornets markers. Assistants went to Mitchell Klompemaker, Kyle Anderson-Carter, Dalton Charlebois and Steven Gerow. Both goalies kept offence resulting in a 2-2 tie.

The Hornets hosted Grafton Feb. 26. The game started out with Walsh again having the hot stick and collecting the hat trick. Assistants went to Charlebois and Gerow. Walsh also picked up an assist to go with his three goals. Blake Redden and Anderson-Carter were in there as well adding an assist. Matthew (Hammer) Nelson was awesome between the pipes and it showed as he came out of the game with a 4-0 shut-out.

The rematch with Baltimore Feb. 28 was not the usual effort of the team. The Hornets couldn't seem to get their game together and were blanked 4-0. The team hopes to be ready for the last two games of the season this week against the Perry Bulldogs Thursday night and Grafton on Friday.

Atom Colts battle to the end but ousted by Schomberg

Sharpe's IGA Atom A Campbellford Colts' exciting season drew to a close on Wednesday, Feb. 26 but, as usual, the Colts put up quite a battle. Tied 2-2 in the best of five All-Ontario Quarter Final series with Schomberg, the Colts were understandably tense going into the game on home ice.

The Colts got off to a rocky start and were down by three goals before the game was five minutes old. Then the homesters settled in to play some great hockey only to drop a heart-breaking 4-3 decision.

At 4:55 in the first period, Dylan Ingram passed the puck to Ben McKeown who blasted in a beauty. The second period was a busy one

with the Colts dominating. At 6:11 Kyle Newton charged in and got the puck to the front of the net where Dylan Ingram chipped it in. Colts were back in the game. It was now 3-2.

Faced with elimination, Colts took charge in the final period. Less than two minutes into the period, Dylan Ingram again scored with Ben McKeown getting the assist. The balance of the period saw attempt after attempt but when the buzzer went the score remained 4-3 for Schomberg. It was a great game and really could have gone either way. The Colts wish Schomberg well in their next round.

The Atom A Colts for 2002/03 are Brad Beaudrie,

Elijah Crothers, Tyler Dunkley, Keegan Forestall, Dylan Ingram, Douglas Little, Zack Martin, Jordan McEvoy, Ben McKeown, Joe McKeown, Kyle Newton, Zach Patfield, Lucas Peters, Jamie Thompson, Devin Todd and goalie Jake Locke.

The boys are indebted to coach Steve McKeown, trainer Dave Locke, manager Jamie Newton, assistant coach Pete Crothers and assistant manager Al Ingram for a great season.

They would also like to thank parents who help out: Campbellford Minor Hockey Association, the Ladies Auxiliary and a special thanks to Sharpe's IGA for their generous sponsorship.

Hastings Cup bantam quest

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The squad snapped their winless streak with a 6-0 win over the Havelock Hawks. The score did not totally represent the game as the largest crowd for a bantam tilt this season enjoyed some thrilling end-to-end action.

Karmazyn opened the scoring with Ronnie Hughes doing the set-up work. Huggin buried a rebound off Havelock goalie Nick Bryett with McIlmoyle and Shearer earning assists.

Terry Stockdale forced a turn-over in the neutral zone and made no mistake on his breakaway.

Havelock forwards Derek Pearce and Morgan Mitchell were turned away several times by Tyler Oliver as he patrolled the blue ice for the Hornets.

Clouston used a strong wrist shot to notch his goal with help from Gerow and Karmazyn. Karmazyn added his second of the night on a set-up from Wrightly.

Hughes was the only scorer who managed to beat Kevin Darrington who replaced Bryett between the pipes for the third frame.

Clouston passed around Havelock defender Joe Moher to set up Hughes in the high slot.

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Heart & Stroke thanks volunteers

by Nancy Derrer

Marmora - Volunteers in this year's Heart & Stroke Foundation fundraising drive gathered at the Marmora Curling Club to mark the end of the 2003 campaign at a complimentary dinner. Co-chairs Jean Shannon and Marie Elliott each expressed her gratitude to the volunteers who struggled through a bitterly cold month to accomplish the canvass.

Helen Perkins, the original chairperson of the annual

drive, was recognized for her "splendid job" in getting the drive started in the community, followed by thanks to Wilma Bush for taking charge of publicity for this year's campaign, working well with the media and achieving a flow of information getting out to the community. Over 50 volunteers worked on this year's campaign under captains Dianne Cole, Judy Backus, Joan Kennedy, Wilma Bush, Joan Kennedy and Jean Shannon.

Special mention was made of the contribution Carol Hewitt and Cat Callfas in preparing the annual pasta dinner for the past five years. This year, daughter Barb Duff and granddaughter Megan Duff assisted Mrs. Callfas. A presentation was made to Mrs. Callfas, who will be moving to the Ottawa area shortly.

All canvassers' kits have not yet been turned in so the total amount raised was available at press time.



Cathy Callfas, cook extraordinaire, is surrounded by Marmora Heart & Stroke co-chairs Marie Elliott, back, Jean Shannon, left, and Chapter President Gert McNulty of Belleville. Mrs. Callfas, who has been preparing the pasta dinner for a number of years, is moving to the Ottawa area. She was honoured for her work as a volunteer cook.



And then decisions had to be made at the dessert table. Oh, those pies! photos/Nancy Derrer



Madeleine McGregor, 5, and her sister Violet, 3, spent a fun morning at Marmora Public Library last Saturday learning about and making 'bug' mobiles. Ailsa Wood read two stories, one about ants and another about a bumble bee, and then provided the materials - sticks, construction paper, glue and markers - and watched the girls make a lady bug and a butterfly that she turned into a mobile for each girl to take home. The library children's program runs the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month from 10:11:30am and is FREE.

photos/Nancy Derrer

Heart & Stroke canvassers still collecting for 2003 campaign

by Wilma Bush

Marmora - Because the weather has often not been suitable for walking and driving about, many of the Heart and Stroke canvassers were not able to complete their canvassing.

If you have not yet had a visit from them, please be ready when they do arrive to help with the important campaign. No amount is too small - with rising prices everywhere we turn, it is understandable people are reluctant to hand out more money.

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Fire Chief hits the jackpot



Marnie and Craig Horton with their winning cheque.

He knows how to fight fires, fix cars, and keep secrets. Craig Horton of Madoc told staff at the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation's Prize Office that he kept the \$250,000 Encore jackpot he and wife Marnie won on the February 21st draw a secret from their two

teenagers until they picked up the cheque. "We simply told our kids we had a meeting in Toronto," Marnie said.

The Hortons own and operate Craig's Car Clinic in Madoc, and he is also the Fire Chief of the Centre Hastings Volunteer Fire Department. The two plan to

take some time to think about what they're going to do with the money. Running their own business, noted Marnie, means they don't have a company pension to rely on for their golden years. "This will definitely enhance our future," she added. Craig is 59, and Marnie, 55, pointed out that "maybe now he can retire at 65!"

Bill Hay of Campbellford and Stew Fisher of Marmora stop to take a look at the Madoc Rocks booth at last month's craft sale at the Marmora Legion. Nick Butts and his daughter, Ali, were selling the local products made with marble from the Madoc area. The unique patterns and colours in the marble are an indication of the mineral diversity of the region, which is at the edge of the Canadian Shield.

photo by Nancy Derrer

Madoc Lanes

Friday Night, Feb. 14
LHS: Cecilia McQuigge, 242; Tracy Eagleton, 225; Corrina Vesterfelt, 222.
LH Four: Esma Lewis, 835; Eagleton, 818; Lorie O'Halloran, 811.
MHS: Al Butler, 261; Drew O'Halloran, 243; Kevin Laton, 242.
MH Four: Laton, 845; Mike Leveque, 833; O'Halloran, 797.

Wednesday Night, February 18
LHS: Edie Guimond, 226; Esma Lewis, 206; Lorie O'Halloran, 205.
LHT: Guimond, 605; O'Halloran, 562; Lewis, 508.
MHS: Roger York, 228; Dennis Ray, 227; Robert Nickle, 214.
MHT: Nick O'Coin, 589; Ray, 577; Nickle, 575.

OBITUARY

ATKINS, Eleanor Lucy Emily, of Madoc, on December 29th, 2002, at Campbellford Hospital. Born in South Himsforth Township of the Parry Sound District, Mrs. Atkins was the daughter of William Moore and Blanche Amell (deceased), and the wife of Harold Atkins (deceased). Predeceased by Gib Moore, Nelson Moore, and Alf Moore; survived by Elsie Parkinson of Oshawa, Dorothy Blanchette of North Bay, Joan Eistdter of British Columbia, and William Moore of North Bay. She rested at the McConnell Funeral Home in Madoc. Officiating at the funeral on Tuesday, December 31st, 2002, was Rev. Austin Snyder. Cremation followed, and spring interment will take place at Northbrook Cemetery.

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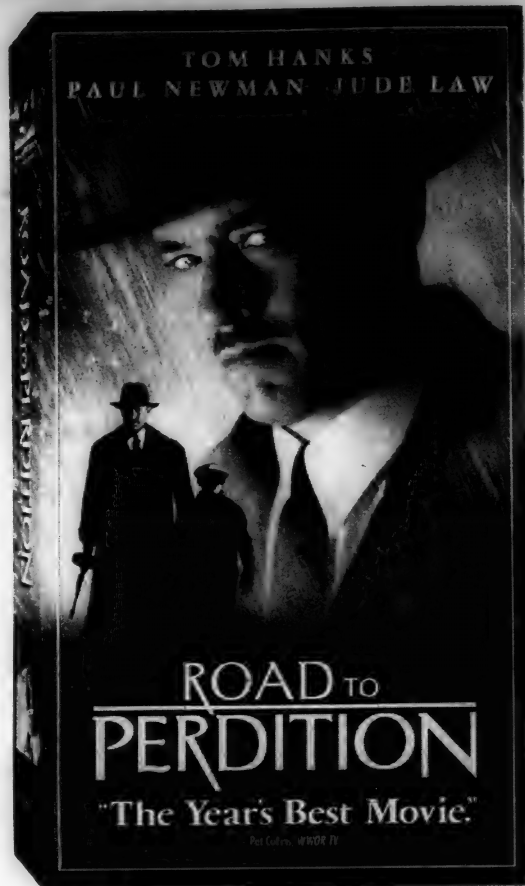
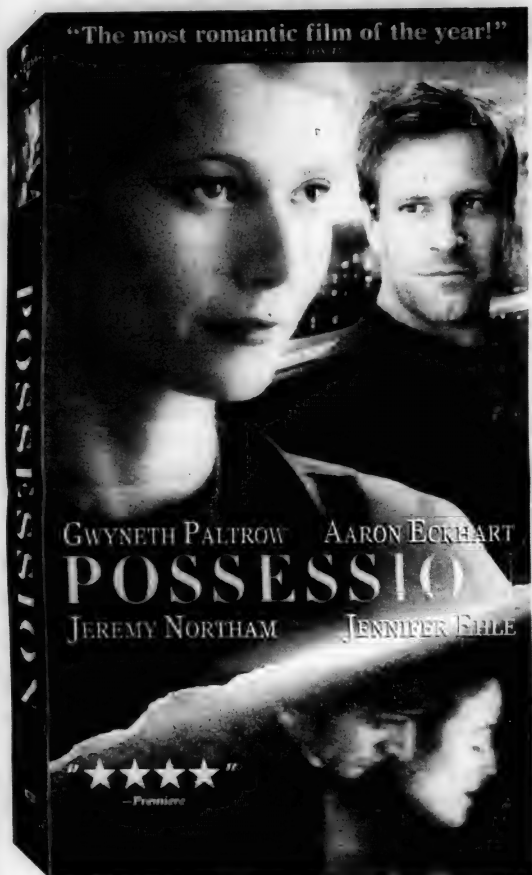
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Pancake breakfast - From 600 to 800 people typically come to support the Centre Hastings Fire Department by having breakfast in Ivanhoe every year, and this year was no different according to organizer Jeff Newman. This is the CHFD's 18th consecutive year of fundraising.

Farmers' groups lobbying for status quo 'til the 11th hour

Most Canadian farmers and their organizations have continued to lobby Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) and Federal Government Members of Parliament to hold off on implementation of the new Agricultural Policy Framework (APF) and its associated Business Risk Management programs.

AAFC Minister Lyle Vanclief has strongly resisted the recommendations of the farmers who wanted the existing NISA (Net Income Stabilization Account) program maintained for another year, allowing time for testing of the proposed program before implementation.

Ontario Federation of Agriculture Vice-President Bill Mailloux questioned the minister's willingness to heed the advice of farmers when he spoke at the recent

annual meeting of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture (CFA).

"We came to a decision nationally at CFA on how to deliver those dollars (\$600 million in bridge funding) and we believe that was ignored (by AAFC). You're (Minister Vanclief) asking for advice on the transition dollars. What is the assurance that you would actually take our advice on the consensus of the dollars this year?" Mailloux asked.

CFA President Bob Friesen told Minister Vanclief that the \$600 million for this year should not be used as seed money for the new APF.

"If you have to use \$600 million to seed the new program it shows right there the program cannot stand on its own," Friesen said.

In an effort to convince

MPs and Minister Vanclief to hold off on implementing the new APF Business Risk Management program as scheduled on April 1, 2003, a nation-wide petition campaign is being launched. The formal petition states: "Therefore your petitioners request that Parliament direct the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food and Cabinet to maintain current programs until the new APF safety nets are adequately designed to move agriculture beyond crisis management, not deeper into crisis management."

That petition and the opportunity to send it to MPs in Ottawa can be viewed at

www.hcfa.on.ca or at www.ofa.on.ca and by clicking on "petition".

Divisions between AAFC, provincial agriculture ministers and farmers' organizations from across the country were obvious following the January meeting of agriculture ministers in Toronto. While many provincial ministers were reluctant to sign onto the APF plan, including Ontario's Minister Helen Johns, as that meeting concluded, some have changed. Saskatchewan's agriculture minister, Clay Serby, announced in Saskatoon on March 11 that his government was agreeing to the terms of AAFC's APF.

All-Ontario win in the future?

By Barb Stevens

This weekend on Saturday March 22nd the Grizzlies host Ilderton in Marmora at 8 p.m. for Game #3 and Game #4 will be played in Madoc on Sunday March 23rd at 2:30 p.m. So come out and cheer for these Grizzlies who are trying hard to be the "All Ontario Champions". I'm sure the support of the community behind

these Grizzlies, and the home ice advantage, will give these boys the confidence they need.

On Sunday March 23rd at 3:30 in Marmora the Novice Grizzlies play host to the Belleville team. This is an exciting game and they will be playing for trophies, so spend an afternoon at the arena and cheer on these little bears.

Wild Kids

By Denise Gray

The Cooper Wild Kids were very busy over the March Break. On Wednesday, March 12th, they played their first playoff game against Cobourg. The girls hadn't played Cobourg since the regular season and their last score was a 1-1 tie. The Wild Kids set the pace with numerous opportunities in the first period, but outstanding goaltending by Cobourg's goalie, held them to a 0-0 score until the 5 minute mark of the first period. Andrea McAlarey, assisted by Celeste Bonter, starting the scoring for the Wild Kids and there was no turning back. Early in the second period McAlarey, assisted by Jocelynnne Hudgins scored again to make it 2-0 in favour of Cooper. Brittany Gray, assisted by Melissa Martin, scored to make it 3-0 after 2 periods. The girls knew that goals for and against would definitely come into play for the playoff and continued to put pressure on the Cobourg team. Early in the third period Gray scored, unassisted. Ragan Danford, assisted by McAlarey & Hudgins finished the scoring for the Wild Kids at the end of the game, and it was 5-0 in favour of Cooper.

The following evening the girls traveled to Cobourg for game two of the series. The Wild Kids were pretty confident after the 5-0 game the night before. End to end action, and again great goaltending by Cobourg's goalie, held the Cobourg

team in. The Wild Kids scored first at the 5 minute mark of the first period with Ragan Danford scoring, assisted by Brit Gray & Erin Hennessey. Cobourg team were down but certainly not out. They scored to tie the game one minute later. Early in the second period Cobourg scored again to take the 2-1. The Wild Kids fought back but the Cobourg goalie was too hot and game went to Cobourg. As was the playoffs, the breaker was goals for against and the Wild Kids advance to the playoff in the upcoming weekend in Peterborough. The girls play the 4th placed Saturday, March 22 at 4 a.m. at the Evirude arena in Peterborough. Good luck girls.

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Few tables left at Farmer's Market

Spring is officially here and thoughts are turning to this year's Farmer's Market. At last report, there are only a handful of places left in the market, as there are more vendors than last year.

Brenda Rump of the Chamber of Commerce spent Wednesday morning with other organizers working on getting the market ready. For more information call Brenda at 473-1616.

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Use of helmets leading to less injuries

By Lawrence McAllister

By press time spring will
have officially arrived, but
bicycles are already on the
road. If you or your children
are setting off on a bike ride,
don't forget the most important
accessory: a helmet.

A report analyzing injury
rates, from the Canadian In-
stitute for Health Information
(CIHI), shows that the

number of hospitalizations
due to bicycle-related injuries
among those aged 5 to 19
years dropped by 12.5%
over a five-year period.

Between 1997/98 and
2001/02, the rate of hospital-
ization for this age group
also declined from 28.6 to
23.8 per 100,000 population.
During the same time period,
the number showed rela-

tively little change in other
age groups, with the rate
fluctuating between 7.0 and
8.3 per 100,000 population.

The report "offers good
news and bad news," ex-
plained Julian Martalog, a
consultant with CIHI. "Fewer children are being
injured in bicycle-related in-
cidents but, at the same
time, we are seeing a signifi-
cant increase in the numbers
for adults and seniors."

The statistics released this
week come from the new-
est Ontario Trauma Registry
report entitled "Injury
Hospitalizations". The report
includes information on all
hospitalizations due to injury
in Ontario as well as demo-
graphic and regional infor-
mation, causes of injury and
injury types.

Injuries down 26%

"In five years, the number
of head injuries due to bicy-
cle crashes decreased by
26% for children", said Mr.

Martalog. "Although the
majority of injuries suffered
by bicyclists are fractures,
dislocations and other non-
life-threatening injuries, head
injuries are typically the most
dangerous."

"Head injuries can have
devastating results and
sometimes even minor head
injuries have long-term con-
sequences," added Alison
Macpherson, an injury re-
searcher at the Hospital for
Sick Children in Toronto.
"Recent research has shown
that the introduction of hel-
met legislation is an effective
tool in the prevention of
childhood bicycle-related
head injuries. The province
of Ontario has adopted bicy-
cle helmet legislation and this
is associated with a signifi-
cant decrease in bicycle-re-
lated head injuries."

Additional analyses from
emergency departments in
Ontario reveal that children
between the ages of 5 and
19 accounted for more than

half (55%) of all bicycle-re-
lated injuries in 2001/02. Of
the 11,803 cases in that age
group, 93% received treat-
ment and were sent home and
an additional 3% were admit-
ted to hospital. Almost three
quarters (74%) were categor-
ized as non-urgent or less
urgent, while only 26% were
considered as either urgent
or emergencies.

Leading injuries

Accidental falls were the
leading cause of injury
hospitalizations in 2001/02,
accounting for 61%
(40,244) of hospitalizations.
Motor vehicle collisions were
the second leading cause of
injury, accounting for 12%
(8,031).

Watershed Conditions Bulletin

A warming trend during
the last few days initiated the
spring melt. With the melt
comes the dangers of spring
run-off. Local waterways
fed by snowmelt and rain
during spring runoff can be-
come extremely dangerous.

As the melt proceeds, ice
conditions will change rap-
idly, becoming thin and
weak. River banks will be-

come slippery. People are
advised to exercise extreme
caution for any activities
near or on local waterways.
Parents especially are ad-
vised to keep children off the
ice and slippery banks
nearby. Water currents can
be strong and dangerously
cold.

Conservation Authority
staff continue to monitor

conditions throughout the
watershed.

Higher than normal

The water equivalent in
the snow pack is around 130
mm or about 5 inches. This
amounts to between 2 to 3
times higher than is normal
for this time of year. The
current forecast for the
weekend is for a warming

trend. Freezing tempera-
tures at night will help slow
the runoff. Based on the
current forecast, flooding is
not an immediate concern.

Conservation staff will be
monitoring water levels and
weather forecasts carefully.
Anyone having any concerns
about flooding can call
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Board of Health passes 2003 budget

"Many of the major issues
we face today, such as West
Nile virus, changes to the
water safety regulations fol-
lowing the Walkerton crisis,
and bioterrorism, were not
prominent just a few years
ago," said Deborah Ruston,
Chair of the Hastings and
Prince Edward Counties
Board of Health. "However,
in addition to responding to
these and other emerging is-
sues, the board must con-
tinue to provide mandated
public health programs and
services. We are pleased
with the budget we have
passed today; it recognizes
the public health needs of our
population and the economic
realities of our municipalities
face. The best way to keep
health care costs down is to
prevent disease and promote
and protect health - that is
the role public health plays,"

said Ruston.

At its meeting on March
14th, the board approved its
budget for 2003.

The board set the oper-
ating budget for the Hastings
and Prince Edward Counties
Health Unit at \$7,612,407.
Costs are shared between the
provincial government and
the municipalities of Bel-
leville, Quinte West, Hastings
County, and Prince Edward
County.

The municipal levy is
\$3,474,454, which is a 3.35
per cent increase when the
surplus from the 2002
budget is taken into account.
The provincial government
funds some public health
programs fully. Since 1998,
it has also provided the Com-
munity Reinvestment Fund
to compensate municipalities
following realignment of
services.

Tony Clement, Minister
of Health and Long-Term
Care, emphasized earlier this
year that the Board of Health
must provide all the pro-
grams and services man-
dated by his ministry. He also
said the Board of Health must
work towards meeting 100
per cent compliance with
minimum standards set for
the programs and services.
The most recent figures
show the Board of Health
was at a 78.4 per cent com-
pliance rate in 2000, slightly
above the provincial average
of 78.2 per cent.

A plan presented by Dr.
Lynn Nosworthy, Medical
Officer of Health to the
board in 2002 was designed
to reach full compliance
within four years. This year,
in order to lessen the effect
on municipalities, the board
chose to go to a six-year plan

to meet compliance. Alan
Wells, a former chief admin-
istrative officer in regional
government, was hired by
the ministry to work with
local councils and the board
to reach a solution agreeable
to all parties.

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Cooper Wild Kids

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On Sunday, March 16th the
Wild Kids hosted the Bel-
leville Bearcats Pee Wee B
team, for an exhibition game.
The Wild Kids were ready to
make up for the loss against
Cobourg. Late in the first
period, Brittney Gray broke
away from pack and start-
ing the scoring for the Wild
Kids. Early in the second
period, Erin Hennessey, as-
sisted by Melissa Martin and

Ragan Danford, scored to
make it 2-0 in favour of
Cooper. The second period
was all Wild Kids with goals
scored by Jocelyne
Hudgins, Brittney Gray &
Andrea McAlarey, with as-
sists going to McAlarey,
Hudgins, Hennessey &
Katelynn DeClair. At the end
of the game the score was
5-0 in favour of Cooper, way
to go girls. Good luck at the
tournament.



Brittney Johnston of Madoc recently celebrated her 16th
birthday in Tokyo, Japan. Brittney, who has agents in
Toronto and Calgary, has been modeling for about a year.
She is currently on assignment with Avenue 1 in Japan.
Her family and friends wish her Happy Birthday and the
best of luck.

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~Obituaries~



Linda Bracken

Roger Watson
photos/Nancy Derrer

Two residents file papers to run in upcoming November election

by Nancy Derrer

Marmora - Former Marmora & Lake Councillor Linda Bracken handed in her nomination papers March 14 for the November municipal election. She will be seeking the office of Reeve. In a written release, Mrs. Bracken said: "It was my pleasure to work for and with the ratepayers of the Municipality of Marmora and Lake and it is my desire to return to work on their behalf if I am elected as Reeve in the fall election."

Current Reeve Lionel Bennett is not seeking re-election. Deputy Reeve Terry Clemens stated a month ago that he would be seeking the Reeve's chair but, to date, has not filed nomination papers.

Roger Watson, a member of the current Council, announced at the close of the March 17 Council meeting that he has handed in his nomination papers seeking the office of Deputy Reeve.

Was your child safe this March Break?

(O.P.S.) Across Ontario, thousands of elementary and secondary school children were set free from the school routine for one week to enjoy the time-honoured tradition of March Break. While children eagerly anticipate the switch from the arithmetic and history lessons to sports and leisure activities, the holiday brings silent dread for many parents as they scramble to make alternative child-care arrangements and plan events that keep their children occupied, out of trouble and most importantly, safe.

Given the terrifying possibility of a medical emergency, parents are often anxious and worried about their child's safety when away from their care or their daily routines, like school. This fear is no deeper than in the minds of the parents of one in five Canadian children with health conditions or special medical needs.

That's why the medical information service provided by Canadian MedAlert® Foundation is so important. It protects children in a medical emergency, by speaking for them when they can't.

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be taken to ensure their safety.

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Should a medical emergency occur, your child's detailed medical record is immediately available to health care professionals. The MedicAlert 24-Hour Emergency Hotline will provide them with immediate, reliable medical and personal information, anywhere in the

world, in more than 100 languages and provide an invaluable head start in diagnosis and treatment.

Whether they are at home, at school or participating in March Break activities, MedicAlert helps protect children and youth 24 hours a day. MedicAlert also ensures that financial hardship is never an obstacle to protecting and saving the lives of our children. The KidsProtect(tm) Assistance program, generously supported through donations to MedicAlert, provides membership subsidies for low income families. For more information about KidsProtect(tm) and KidsProtect(tm) Assistance, call the Canadian MedAlert® Foundation toll-free at 1-800-668-1507 or visit www.kidsprotect.ca.

Recommended Health Protection - Tips -

How parents can help:
* Inform babysitters, camp counselors or recreational instructors in advance about a child's medical conditions
* Provide emergency contact information to include family physician contact.
* Check with a physician before field trips regarding any special precautions.

What children can do:
* Talk about their medical condition with counselors in advance.

* Wear identification detailing their medical condition during the day.

* Be aware of the location of emergency treatment supplies.

Deline, Verna Agusta - At Trenton Memorial Hospital, Sunday, March 16, 2003. Verna Agusta Deline, 87, of 1 Victoria Street, Marmora, Verna Agusta Deline, wife of the late Carl Deline, daughter of the late Frank and May Grey, mother of Dorothy Taylor, Shelburne, Ray and William Deline, Marmora, Betty Belanger, Prince George, B.C. and James Deline of Scarborough.

Grandmother of 12, great grandmother of 18, sister of Edie Beatty of Peterborough and Joyce Fox of Marmora.

The funeral service took place from Marmora Pentecostal Church, Tuesday, March 18, 2003 at 10am. Rev. Pat Walsh officiating. Pallbearers were Terry Deline, grandson, Kevin Fox, nephew, Rich Taylor, grandson, Jamie Nicolson, granddaughter's husband, Roxy and William Beatty, nephews.

Interment Marmora Protestant Cemetery.

Seniors entertain

by Marilyn VanSteinburg

Marmora - On Sunday, April 13, a variety show will be held at the Town Hall called Petrol North, which is senior-entertaining seniors. Cost of \$5 goes to help with the seniors Memorial Parkette and the Marmora & Lake Communities in Bloom program.

Deline, Bella Joy - On Friday, March 14, 2003, at Caressant Care Nursing Home, Bella Joy Deline, in her 92nd year, formerly of the late Ethel (Bowen) and Oliver Watson, mother of Bess Barnett and Doris Wiley, Marmora and Jean (Frank) Burton, Lindsay.

Grandmother of 14, great grandmother of 29 and great great grandmother of 8, sister of Annie Lewis, Bessie Evans, Donald and Harry Watson of Bancroft, Grant Watson of Port Perry, predeceased by sisters Kate and Stella and brothers Jim, Earl (Kirk), George (Stub) and Doug Watson.

Mrs. Deline received her education at Highland Grove, ON and worked at Sir James Whitney School for the Deaf in Belleville.

The funeral was held Thursday, March 18, 2003, at 1pm from the McConnell Funeral Home, Rev. Doug Mitchell officiating.

Pallbearers were brother-in-law Leonard Evans, Brian Barnett, Ron Wiley, Garnett Wiley, Ed Burton, grandsons Bob Wiley and David Barnett and great grandson Michael Feltham.

Interment Marmora Protestant Cemetery.

Shorts, Arnie - At Belleville General Hospital, Saturday, March 15, 2003, in his 53rd year, Arnie Shorts of Roslin, formerly of Marmora, husband of Nancy and father of Michael (Lynn) Shorts of Roslin.

Mr. Shorts was born in Kingston, the son of the late Armentha and Ed Shorts and step-son of Helen Shorts, brother of Elaine (Eddie) Lake of Port Hope, Chuck (Mary) Hutchings of Marmora, John (Gena) Hutchings of Belleville and Darlene Campkin of Madoc, nephew of Shirley, Rita, Marie, Al, Herb and Ed. A memorial service took place Thursday, March 20 at 2:30pm at St. Andrews United Church.

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Gift of park would please grandfather

By Rolly Ethier

Campbellford—The wilderness jewel known as Ferris Provincial Park was originally bequeathed to the community because that's what the original owner J.M. Ferris would have wished the family to do with it.

In an exclusive interview with *The Courier*, one of the last surviving members of the Ferris family, Mary Costello, said her grandfather was an avid outdoorsman who loved walking through "the woods", simply enjoying the scenery and the opportunity of picking a bouquet of Mayflowers for his wife.

Earlier Mrs. Costello delivered an emotional message to a large gathering attending the Future of Ferris Park round-table meeting at the Campbellford Arena. In the 40 years since the property was presented as a gift

to the community thousands of people have enjoyed camping, jogging and commuting with nature in the parkland, she stated.

"Harold Bradley, who was a school teacher in Campbellford, provided a good quote," said Mary. He said "The world is full of people who take—here's an opportunity for each of us to give—to give back to nature." That was in 1964 but 40 years later it is still a true statement."

Following the meeting, Mary and her 19-year-old daughter Meghan were luncheon guests at their good friends Shirley and Chuck Davidson. The Davidsons have faithfully kept the family informed of what was happening with the provincial park over the years.

Property Always Open

The Ferris family was not induced to make a gift of the

153-acre property as a result of any legal direction, says Mrs. Costello. It was simply a case of her mother, Dorothy Ann and her aunt Kathleen Ferris, deciding that this is what their father would have wanted. J. M. died in 1960, the land was turned over to the Campbellford Sportsmen's Club in 1962 and subsequently to the Ministry of Lands and Forests.

She said Kathleen had turned down an offer of sale for the development of the park but had no difficulty making the decision to preserve it forever for the good citizens of Campbellford/Seymour.

Many Campbellford residents still remember becoming acquainted with Kathleen Ferris when the latter was a teacher at Campbellford High School. She was regarded as a "no-nonsense" type of educator.

J. M. Ferris and the former Marjorie Farrell had four children and J. M. was the only son of J. B. Ferris and Ida McCrudden.

Kathleen graduated from the University of Toronto in 1917 and originally spent time teaching in Athens, Ont. But in 1920 her grandfather died in a hunting accident and the family asked her to return home to Campbellford.

She did and spent the rest of her life here teaching school, retiring in 1955.

"The only condition asked by both my mother and Kathleen relating to this marvelous piece of land is that it would remain a wilderness region the community could enjoy in perpetuity," Mary told a Ferris Park round-table audience.

See gift on page 10A



The Original Document—One of the last living relatives of the Ferris family, Mary Costello of Mississauga, holds a copy of the original document bequeathing Ferris Park to the province for the princely sum of \$1. photo/Rolly Ethier.

ORCA budget will tackle deficit

By Bill Freeman

Asphodel-Norwood - The Otonabee Region Conservation Authority (ORCA) is asking form member municipalities to support a nine per cent levy increase designed to eliminate a \$36,858 deficit carried over from 2002.

Conservation Authority CAO John DuChene provided Councillors with a brief overview of the 2003 budget which includes a general levy and health monitoring levy increase

of nine per cent. The ORCA Board of Directors are expected to pass the 2003 budget Thursday night. It will then be circulated to member municipalities "for another kick at the can."

Mr. DuChene, former Asphodel Township CAO and Planning and Public Works Co-ordinator with the newly-minted Asphodel-Norwood, said that in formulating the 2003 budget they did not set any increases on the operational side of the ledger.

"There are no increases from any formal growth," Mr. DuChene said.

"We did think it would be good business to try and deal with the deficit."

Mr. DuChene told Councillors they were faced with a situation of either "biting the bullet and going to municipalities and dealing with the deficit or going to the bank and borrowing money -- sort of pay now or pay later."

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Springtime means it's time to look under the hood

(NC)—Before you set out on any long summer trips, make sure your car can meet the challenge after dealing with a grueling winter. Salt, snow, ice and sub-zero temperatures are likely to have taken a toll on the engine systems.

• Start with a spring tune-up. Yes, even the high-tech

reliability of today's vehicles has not eliminated the need for a regular tune-up. It is important to test ignition wires, spark plugs, the fuel and air injector, pcv valves, plus the vital sensors that govern the most sophisticated engines.

• Spark plugs will need to be cleaned, or changed if

they are too badly fouled, or if the gap shows serious erosion. There are product innovations along this line. Take a look at platinum and double platinum spark plugs. They have platinum tips that guard against erosion, a wearing down that can affect engine efficiency and cause polluting emissions to



harmful particles from damaging the engine and the air filter traps airborne contaminants from entering the engine and passenger cabin. Pollutants such as these can cause the sensors to give false readings and can lead to reduced fuel economy and heightened wear and tear on the engine.

• Air and oil filters should be changed every three months or every 5,000 kilometers, whichever comes first. There are ways to maximize filter efficiency. New air filters, for example use advanced technology to channel dirt into microscopic chambers to hold more harmful particles in their fibres. In addition, these oil filters are reported to trap 96% of those harmful dirt particles the first time through the engine.

Once you know that your vehicle's key systems are mechanically sound, you can drive with greater confidence.

Common car troubles: what drivers can do

(NC)—According to the most recent JD Power survey results, the top three automotive services most commonly performed are for oil changes, tire and brake work.

Here's a look at some of the most common problems that lead to these types of repairs and what drivers can do about them to be safe and save themselves time, money and inconvenience down the road.

What's in an oil change...

Oil protects the moving parts of the engine against wear and cleans away deposits and by-products of the combustion process. "Supplying fresh, clean oil to the engine is one of the most important things a driver can do to protect the engine," says Tom Mondoux. "The oil should be changed every 5,000 kilometres or every three months — whichever comes first. The minor cost of an oil change will pay off in the long run by extending the life of the vehicle," he adds.

Keep tires on a roll ...

Proper alignment and balance of the tires is critical to ensuring safety and longer tire life. Looseness in steering, vibration or difficulty in controlling the vehicle over

bumps and around curves are likely indications of balancing and/or alignment issues which need attention.

Recommended routine tire maintenance includes:

- Check tire pressure monthly when tires are "cold"
- Inspect tires monthly for uneven wear
- Rotate tires every 10,000 km
- Balance and align tires every 20,000 km or annually

Put on the brakes ...

The brake system absorbs the energy of the moving car and converts it into heat. Proper brake operation is critical to the safety of a

car. Because brakes are a normal wear item for any car, sooner or later they're going to need replacement but there are a few things drivers can do to make them last longer:

- Clean, inspect and have moving parts lubricated every 20,000 km or annually. This will ensure proper brake performance, even wear and longer life of the brakes.

Symptoms of brake problems may include squealing, dragging or grinding brakes, a brake pedal that vibrates and pulsates, a low brake pedal or brake pull.

Should a driver encounter any of these symptoms, they should have the vehicle checked by a qualified technician as soon as possible.

Car Care Tip: Sealing a leaky rad

(NC)—Is your car leaving a pool on the driveway or garage floor? A common cause is a leaky cooling system. A problematic cooling system could cause your engine to overheat ... and it also creates a dangerous hazard for neighborhood pets. It should be fixed immediately. Trouble is, the leak could be anywhere in the system — heater core, radiator or the hoses.

Most leaks in any of the common locations can be sealed by a product that stops leaks (this helps lubricate the water pump, fights rust and scale at the same time). For larger holes, bring out the big gun — a heavy duty stop leak product.

pass through the exhaust system.

• Spring is also time to change the engine oil, as well as the air, cabin air and oil filters. The oil filter prevents

Quick Tip

(NC)—A pair of jumper cables should be part of every motorist's emergency kit. But what do you do if there's no other vehicle around to jump-start your balky engine? There are now products on the market designed to solve this problem. A jump-starting device, for example, is a portable, 110-volt power unit with muscle enough — once it is charged — to start up to 30 cars!

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Wet Driving — Don't let spring roads give you the slip

(NC)—Besides making sure you have quality all-season tires for your vehicle, here are some general tips from Michelin for driving safely in wet weather:

- Check the forecast. As much as you want to believe the forecast, weather in Canada is at best unpredictable. Before hitting the road: ensure your windshield wipers, all of your lights and

your front and rear defrosters are working properly.

- Check your tire pressure. Before you take to the highway make sure your tires are properly inflated. The quality of your car's handling is directly related to your tires' surface contact to the road. Over or under-inflated tires can increase tire wear and decrease traction, especially in wet driving conditions.

- Check your tread wear. For the best traction in wet weather, be sure your tires have plenty of tread depth to allow water to channel out from under the tread. If your tires are severely worn, your car could hydroplane.

- Consider high-performance tires. To ensure the best traction on wet roads, you should consider using proper tires. High-performance tires



offer all types of drivers a range of high performance to ultra high performance tires with exceptional wet traction. They are an ideal choice for people who want an extra level of driving security during wet weather.

- When it rains...slow down. It's important to slow

down at the first sight of precipitation. Because of the mixture of oil, fluids and debris on the road, the driving surface is the most slippery when the rain first starts to fall.

- Increase the distances between you and other cars. Conditions are constantly changing based on the severity and duration of the rain, as well as the surface characteristics and drainage capabilities of the road. Increase the distances in which you follow other vehicles to give yourself more time to slow down and manoeuvre around trouble.

- Beware of shiny surfaces. Be wary of low-traction areas that develop on heavily traveled or aging roads. These low-traction areas often appear as shiny spots on the driving surface.

Protecting one of your most important investments: your car

(NC)—Your car is an important investment and one that must be protected in order to maximize its value and longevity. The automotive team suggest that proper engine maintenance and care can not only make your engine last longer, it can also help to lower your fuel consumption.

Using an engine treatment helps extend the life of the engine by forming a protec-

tive coating on engine surfaces during start-up, thereby reducing the friction and wear on the engine. They also protect against oil loss and breakdowns and provide a smoother, quieter and cooler ride. Safe for all vehicles, experts recommend that you follow the instructions on the package and refer to it to determine how often you need to treat your engine.

Excessive oil consumption, leakage and oil sludge build-up are consequences of severe engine operation and less than adequate engine maintenance. This could result in premature engine wear or engine failure. By using an oil additive, you fortify the existing oil, prevent severe oil thinning and prevent oil deposit build-up. Oil additives are added directly to the engine oil and, like

engine treatment, experts recommend that you check the packaging to determine how and when to use an additive, as it will vary depending on the product.

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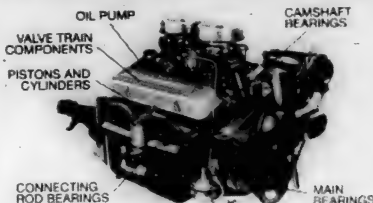
Simple tips save money

(NC)—Just because you are not a mechanic, doesn't mean that you can't take better care of your vehicle — and save some money in the process. Following is a list of basic and common sense tips that can make a big difference in how your vehicle performs and how long it will last. A little bit of effort on your part can go a long way towards protecting this major investment.

- Check your tire pressures on a regular basis, especially if you are going on a trip or carrying a heavy load. Improperly inflated tires can have a major effect on the way your vehicle handles, and make a huge difference on how quickly your tires wear out. If you are not comfortable with doing this yourself, go to a reputable full-service service station and ask the attendant for assistance.

- Check your oil yourself or have the attendant check it every time you fill up with gas. It's basic common sense. A low oil level, which could easily happen through a leak or many other reasons,

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can do serious damage to your engine. And always remember, the RED light on your dashboard is not an oil check light. It is an ENGINE DANGER light. By the time it comes on, you are most likely already in serious trouble.

- If you want to check your oil yourself, it's easy to do. Fully warm up your vehicle then park it on level ground and turn off the engine (unless you have a dry oil pump like in certain Porsches and a few other high performance cars — in this case you must leave the engine running). Wait a few

minutes for the oil to drain into the crankcase. Open the hood and identify the oil check dipstick (make sure it is not the automatic transmission dipstick). Remove the dipstick, wipe it clean, replace it for a few seconds and then remove it again and check the reading based on the marks. Add a quality brand name oil like Castrol if necessary and do not overfill. It's that simple.

- Read your vehicle instruction book. Then read your vehicle instruction book again. Thousands of hours have gone into the preparation of this manual

and it will be full of excellent recommendations on how to keep your car running well — from the people who actually designed the car. Follow their advice carefully on maintenance, safety and the correct type of lubricants to use.

- Change your oil every 5,000 kilometres or every three months. While that probably exceeds your manufacturer's warranty requirements, it will pay off down the road. Supplying fresh, clean high quality oil is the best single thing you can do for your engine.

- Check your automatic transmission fluid monthly. It has a dipstick similar to the engine oil dipstick, but normally is checked with the ENGINE RUNNING. Adding a little transmission fluid is a minor cost. Rebuilding your transmission is a major expense. See your owner's manual for details.

- Carry, in proper containers, at all times, a couple of litres of gas, some engine antifreeze or coolant, windshield wiper solvent and a supply of high quality en-

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Protecting vehicle from the elements extends life of car

(NC)—Now that the warmer weather has arrived, we will see a shift in the kinds of elements that can damage the surface of a vehicle. In winter, salt, snow, ice and sand can eat away at the car's finish. Now is the perfect time to remove what winter has left behind and treat the finish to protect against the elements that come with the change in season and to help prolong the life of the vehicle.

Clean and protect

- Natural elements like tree sap, insects and bird droppings can cause 'pitting' on the vehicle's paint finish. The experts recommend that vehicles be washed regularly using a deep cleaning car wash.

- Never use household dish or laundry detergent. They are designed to remove grease and will strip away protective wax and natural oils in paint.

- A pressure washer increases cleaning power and gets salt and dirt out of hard-to-reach places like tire rims, around doors and windows and under the car.

- Short on time? Try an all-in-one car cleaner — it can be used to safely clean and shine many different surfaces (like paint, vinyl, rubber, plastic, chrome) and adds a protective finish.

- Waxing four times a year provides a protective shield for the car's paint against harmful elements like acid rain, UV rays, insects, tar

and tree sap.

- For easy wax application and removal as well as superior results, use an orbital polisher.

Keep it under cover

During the warmer months of the year, the sun's UV rays can cause fading, drying and cracking of a vehicle's finish. Rainwater contains mild corrosive nitric and sulphuric acid and can also eat away at the paint.

Car covers offer all-season vehicle protection to block water, sunlight, dust, dirt and dings. We suggest choosing a cover that offers breathability to allow condensation on the vehicle surface to evaporate. This will help protect from paint oxidation that causes peeling and rust, as well as a clouded finish. A cover with maximum UV protection will not only protect the paint finish, it will also keep the dash and upholstery from fading.

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Spring clean up and protection for your car

(NC)—It's springtime and for your car that means it's the perfect time to repair the ravages of winter; to wash away the last traces of muddy salt and ice, and to restore your car's finish to a classic, showroom sheen.

Rinse and Wash

With every wash, start by rinsing the bodywork thoroughly with clean water before you begin. Then for the wash, use a cleanser designed especially for auto

finishes. Don't use kitchen soaps or detergents; they can dull the finish of your car and cause spotting!

• **Product Suggestion:** A specially-formulated cleanser such as the new car wash, safely-removes the toughest road dirt, protects and treats your paintwork with the delicacy it needs.

Wax

A good clean water rinse will leave your vehicle gleaming and ready for polishing.

Your choice should be a good wax polish and according to advice, never wash and polish your car in direct sunlight.

• **Product Suggestion:** One company has a new car wax that claims less streaking and a consistent easy on and off performance. It is easy to apply, and easy to buff to a finish making it tough protection for your car!

Rims and Tires

The rims and tires of your car need beauty attention too. There are cleaners available that are specially-formulated for the wheel requirements — and even one that offers a 3-rainstorm protection. Try the new tire shine product with hi-shine and no wiping. There is also a new rim cleaner to help remove built-up brake dust and road grime.



Tips for planning trips

(NC)—Thousands of Canadian families hit the road each summer on driving vacations. Planning your route with fuel efficiency in mind can make the trip more affordable and enjoyable.

It's important to remember that the most direct route is not always the best. For example, a bypass road that takes you around a major city, rather than through the middle of it, may help you avoid idling away your time and fuel at stop lights, intersections or in rush-hour traffic. The bypass route might be a few kilometres longer, but you could still end

up saving fuel and money.

To plan your route effectively, use the latest road maps you can find. Keep in mind that using a four-lane highway is generally more fuel-efficient than using a two-lane highway. It may also be a good idea to avoid routes that have steep hills that require your vehicle's engine to work harder, especially if you happen to be towing a trailer or boat.

Good trip planning also means giving yourself time to get where you're going — especially since you're on vacation. Being in a hurry will cause you to brake hard, accelerate quickly and drive too fast, all of which waste fuel and are dangerous.

Trip planning isn't just for vacations — it's important year-round. Whether you're going across town or across the country, thinking ahead will save you time and money. As well, every litre of fuel you save means fewer pollutants are being released into the atmosphere.

Keep your car healthy: check its fluids

(NC)—Did you know that over the life of a vehicle, the water pump processes almost 3.8 million litres of fluid? Just as we need to consume water to live healthy lives, a vehicle needs fluids to function properly. So to ensure proper maintenance and help prolong your vehicle's life, check its fluid levels.

To keep your engine functioning correctly, your vehicle needs a proper level of antifreeze/coolant to effectively pull heat away from the engine. So how do you know if your coolant needs to be changed or topped off? Antifreeze experts recommend flushing and filling your engine coolant annually.



Look at your vehicle's owner's manual for proper specifications. And if you think there's a leak, use a product to seal leaks in hoses, radiators and head gaskets.

It's a sure way to avoid being stranded roadside with an overheated vehicle, a hefty repair bill and a headache.

Springtime tips for trouble-free driving

• Check engine oil whenever you gas up. Leaks can occur and low oil pressure can cause serious damage.

• Have your air filter checked regularly and your oil and oil filter changed at regular intervals. Dirty filters impair performance and pollute the environment. Every three months or 5,000 kilometres is highly recommended.

• The correct tire pressure

extends tire life. Keep tires inflated to the vehicle manufacturer's suggested pressure — you'll usually find it on a sticker inside the driver's door jamb.

• Make sure your spare is inflated and your jack is handy. Check out quick-fix devices like: a product, to temporarily mend and inflate your tire; and a jump start device, to re-start your car

without booster cables.

• Top up windshield washer fluid regularly. You'll need it in summer as well as in winter.

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Rebels face elimination after 6-3 home ice loss

Campbellford--The Campbellford Rebels, foiled by a red-hot goaltender and with the breaks not bouncing their way, will have their backs to the wall, facing elimination in game five of the OHA junior C quarter-finals Friday night in Georgina.

After taking it on the chin 5-2 in game three at the hands of the Ice on Georgina ice Monday night, the teams returned to Campbellford Wednesday night. Rebels hoped to square the series with a home ice victory but instead suffered a 6-3 defeat with the Ice scoring a pair of empty-netters.

For the fourth game in a row, goalie Darren McConaghy was the game's first star as he continued to frustrate the Rebel shooters.

One of the key goals came on a penalty shot when Georgina's Kyle Vickers deked Rebel netminder John Cranston with a shot to his low stick side.

Georgina struck twice in the first period, capitalizing on Rebel defensive zone mistakes as first Trevor Sedore cashed in and then Mike Tsychiya connected. Jamie McComb scored twice just 10 seconds apart to pick up the Rebels hopes in the second period.

Andrew Smith squeezed the puck through McConaghy's pads for the Rebels' third goal. With 38 seconds left McComb hit the goal post, which basically signalled the story of the Rebels' luck in the series.

In game four, a 5-2 Georgina victory Rebels had a 7-0 margin in scoring chances in the first 10 minutes but came away with only one goal. Early in the period the Ice twice cashed in on manpower advantages as Trevor Sedore scored his first of two goals. But then the Ice dominated the final 50 minutes and were full value for their victory.

After suffering a disputed and heart-breaking 2-1 loss in the opening game Friday (March 14th) in Georgina, the Rebels bounced back smartly at home in game two to emerge with a 5-2 victory.

Early pressure resulted in the Ice cashing in on a power play to take the upperhand. Trevor Sedore found the net with a crease tap-in at 4:36 of the first period after Rebel netminder John Cranston had denied the initial point slapper.

Rebels were undeterred after finding themselves trailing and actually turned the tempo up a notch. The margin stayed in place until 10:38

of period two due to the heroics of Ice goalie Darren McConaghy. He was superb, robbing the Rebels of at least five goals, with Jamie McComb, Andrew Smith and Dave Fischer missing what appeared to be certain goals.

But persistence paid off. Rebels got even when McComb executed his patented starboard corner walk-out. McConaghy denied the low shot only to have McComb deftly find the top shelf with his high backhand as Rebels pulled even.

The teams traded two late second-period goals. Mike Tsychiya redirected Mike Farrell's blast for Georgina only to have Carl Baldwin come right back for the equalizer. He raced out of the penalty box to blow a wicked 30-foot ice hugger past a startled McConaghy.

Big Final Period. That set the stage for a hectic final period. Rebels continued to control the play and it appeared to be just a matter of time. At 8:12 Mark Hogg proved the game-

breaker, cashing in on a rebound after McComb was twice thwarted from close range. Leftwinger Ross MacDonald, the Cold Lake, Alberta recruit, started the play with some robust corner work.

Then McComb was back

duplicating Hogg's tally on his next shift. Fischer and Phil Darrington earned assists as the Rebels' never-ending pressure proved too much for the besieged Ice defence corps.

Dave Fischer sealed the deal with an empty netter as

Darrington unselfishly passed the puck when he could have found the empty cage himself.

Penalty Decides It
The opening game loss in Georgina was a bitter pill for the Rebels to swallow.

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The top scores were posted by Helen Nelson (91), Jennifer Plumley (85), Jean Neilson (81) and Norma Walsh (80).

Other prizes were won by Ona Fife, Gladys Kirby, Lenore Webster and Mike Quinlan. Tops in "lone hands" were Eva Weir and Jennifer Plumley.

A special draw for a Shamrock plant was won by Gerry Forbes.

Share the Wealth draws went to Jean Neilson, Elsie Montgomery, Joan Forde, Bernard Heffernan and Betty Coupland.

Everyone presents signed a "Get Well Soon" card which was sent to Bob Andrews at Toronto General Hospital where he is recovering from a serious operation. Hope you'll soon be back, Bob!

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Later, Mary showed a copy of the original legal agreement, which officially turned over the 153-acre site to Lands and Forests for the nominal cost of \$1. She also had a copy of the original public opinion survey asking people to decide whether they preferred to see the land become a community park or Provincial Park.

"Naturally, the Campbellford Sportsmen's Club, with a limited budget, cannot proceed with the development of the park at the same rate as a branch of the provincial government," the survey said, in part.

Mrs. Costello underlined the significance of the local heritage aspect.

"Many new people have come to live in the area over the years," she pointed out. "Even those newcomers who enjoy the park probably don't realize or appreciate the family tradition and history that is built into this

land."

"Over many years it has been a wonderful place to get an education in nature, enjoying the wonders of seeing wild flowers like Trilliums, watching the black ducks nesting, skiing, fishing or simply walking through the nature trails."

Added Mrs. Costello: "We will never forget the commitment we made to you people and I ask that you not forget it as well."

Speaking at the round-table, Murray Locke said he and Alf Lauesen are the only living members of the old Sportsmen's Club that originally talked to Miss Ferris with the idea of purchasing the property back in 1959.

He recalls the late Don Free and himself meeting with Miss Ferris a number of times.

"We were talking about purchasing the property," said Locke. "With what money we didn't know as he had only 35 club members.

Finally she astounded us by announcing that if we could come up with an agreement with the Ministry of Lands and Forests and they would be willing to keep it as a park in perpetuity we could have the property as a gift."

"I recall just about falling off my chair in joy and surprise," recalls Murray.

At one point Locke said the Ministry turned down the

offer of the parkland because, at 153 acres, it was smaller than the required landmass of 500 acres needed to qualify as a provincial park.

However, he said the local MPP intervened and an Order of Council was eventually established declaring it a designated park in May of 1962. The Ministry then proceeded to buy up adjoining

properties in order to reach the specified 500-acre size. Commenting on the need to keep Ferris Park operational and making it even more attractive for visitors, Locke says it parallels his efforts in planting some 200,000 trees in the area over the past 12 years as a legacy for future generations.

"We should have the same

kind of foresight to make sure Ferris Park remains a wonderful resource for future generations," he said. "Let's remember that if Miss Ferris had originally sold the property and made a handsome profit we would have this excellent natural resource today. We should do things for the future, just as the Ferris family did many years ago."

Rebels face OHA elimination

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controversial penalty call helped decide the game in overtime.

Rebel General Manager Jim Peeling felt the loss on a power play goal by Peter Vaisanen tarnished a magnificent effort by both teams and particularly the netminders.

A cross-checking penalty to Jesse Cassidy set the stage for the deciding goal at a crucial time even though the same calls had been ignored by the referee throughout the rest of the game.

"You would expect that would continue, especially in overtime, when you don't want an official's call to make the difference," said Peeling, who acknowledged it was a penalty by the rule book. "But for three periods he wasn't calling that kind of penalty and that's what made it difficult

to accept."

Ice Chips—Roughly 500 people packed the arena near-capacity for the opening game of the OHA junior quarter final series in Campbellford. All were rewarded with an exciting, hard-hitting battle. General Manager Jim Peeling said the high calibre of play proves what he has been saying all season—"for your entertainment dollar it does not get any better". Pairings in the three other provincial quarter finals are Schomberg vs Hanover, Ess vs Southpoint and Grimsby vs Norwich. Fifth game the best-of-seven Rebels vs Ice series is in Georgina Friday night (March 21) starting at 7:30 p.m. Campbellford hosts game six Saturday, March 22nd at 8 p.m. and seventh and deciding game is required it goes back to Georgina Wednesday, March 26 at 8:30 p.m.



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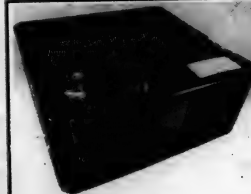
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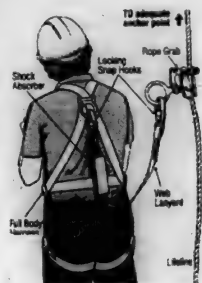
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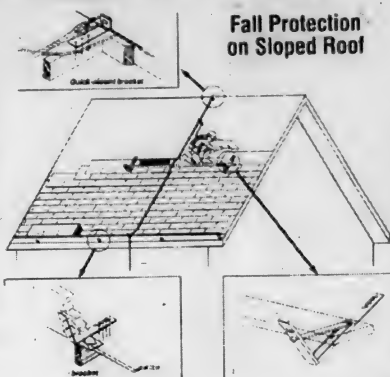
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Thinking of spring: Members of the Norwood Area Artists Group held their eighth annual show and sale at the Pine Street Centre Sunday afternoon. The fittingly spring-like day was a perfect backdrop for the impressive show which has become a mainstay on the March calendar of "things to do" in the Township. One of the artists enjoying her time at the Pine Street centre was Marion Sukos.

Photo/Bill Freeman

ORCA budget will tackle deficit

Continued from pg. 4-A
 The Board, he said, agreed that addressing the budget through the levy increase was the best route to take. For Asphodel-Norwood that represents a increase of \$1,012.44 which brings its 2003 levy total up to \$12,265.68 -- somewhere in the neighbourhood of .7 per cent of ORCA's total operating budget.
 Mr. DuChene also said that Thursday evening he will be presenting the Board with a proposal that would "examine the role and mandate of the authority."
 He views it as a three-month process "to see if we can define, re-define, clarify (and) focus our role again" in an effort to better support municipalities.
 Mr. DuChene said he would "like to bring a municipal mentality to the operation."
 "At the same time," he

added, "there is there is an expectation that the province is going to continue to download."
 He pointed out that Justice Dennis O'Connor's Walkerton report recommended that Conservation Authorities be given the lead role in source water protection as well as water quality monitoring. With that in mind, he says that it is important that they "make sure there is strong financial support from the province if we're going to take on these roles and responsibilities."
 Strengthening support at the municipal level will help on that front, Mr. DuChene added.
Grants were cut
 That being said, he admitted that Conservation Authorities, like municipalities, are "creatures of the province."
 "The province sometimes

passes laws and activities to us that we don't necessarily want to assume, but at the end of the day we deliver them as practically as we can."
 Mr. DuChene said that since the mid 1990's Conservation Authorities have faced funding pressures similar to municipalities.
 "Grants were cut very, very significantly."
 Up until that point, he says Authorities were receiving between 50 to 90 per cent of its funding from the province.
 In 2003, ORCA will receive 20 per cent of its funding from Queen's Park. This year's levy brings the Conservation Authority back up to its 1995-96 level.
 Mr. DuChene says ORCA is generating new revenue streams through partnerships, programs and has also made tough cuts. It focuses on the "project scenario

model" which was implemented in 1995-96.
 "based on the feeling that member municipalities would strongly support various projects as best they could."
 "The budget, though it has shifted some what, is still based on the expectation that so many projects will be coming in," said Mr. DuChene.
 He says they have a financial monitoring system in place to allow them to forecast if there will be shortfalls because a project doesn't materialize.
 The fee-recovery system remains a "win-win situation" for both Otonabee Conservation and member municipalities.
 "I think the Authority has tried to act responsibly but has been faced with downloading pressures just like municipalities."

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Personal ID kits go in to all Marmora elementary schools

by Nancy Derr

Marmora—By the end of this week, all Marmora school children will have been fingerprinted and given a personal ID kit to keep at home, thanks to the Marmora & District Lions Club. Volunteers completed Earl Prentice School's 240 students before the March Break and, last Monday, were at Marmora Senior School with 218 additional kits. On Wed., March 19, Sacred Heart students were fingerprinted.

The Lions Club paid out \$1,130 to purchase the fingerprinting kits. Due to the fact that not all students at all the elementary schools were present when the volunteers visited the schools, Mrs. Redfield will be approaching the Children's Nursery Centre and Mothers with Tots to offer this free service to them, as well.

Speaking to the Lions Club's Nancy Redfield, she explained that the students did not need their parents' permission to be fingerprinted because the kits are sent home for the parents to keep, not turned over to other authority.

Each child received a

booklet where the child's identification should be filled in by parents, a place for current and updated photos (it was suggested that photos be updated at least twice each year), as well as a page for parents' or guardians' information. Part of the kit also contained a colouring book containing a dozen tips on staying safe, a safety message on each page.

They are advised to never take rides with anyone unless your parents say it's okay; never take gifts like toys or candy from anyone without your parents' permission; never go into anyone's house without your parent's permission; check with your parents before letting an adult join in on your games; if an adult asks you for help, for instance to find a lost puppy, say "no" and go and tell your parents or teacher; never accept a job or money from anyone without your parent's permission; never tell anyone on the phone that your parents are not home; never go with anyone without approval from your parents or teacher; always use the "buddy system" and never go anywhere alone; never wander off by yourself, always stay with

your family; if you get lost in a mall or store, go directly to a store clerk or security for help; never go to a public change room or bathroom alone.

The kit also included a letter to the parents, explaining that the brochure on "common sense" child education is designed to assist them in teaching your children personal safety. The letter suggested that the parents go through it first and then discuss the different situations with your children.

"The key to personal safety for children is in the awareness by the child of some of these examples and the knowledge that they can be assertive in order to protect themselves. They have a right to say 'no' to adults. Also teach them to come to you with any incidents that sound similar to those described," parents are told. "Call your local police immediately, if this occurs."

On behalf of the community, thanks to the Marmora and District Lions Club volunteers who carried out this program in our three elementary schools. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure!

MSS home to 30 new computers

by Nancy Derr

Marmora—Remember the "smell" of a new car? A new pair of leather shoes? Well, when I walked into the new computer lab at Marmora Senior School, on Wednesday afternoon—wow! The smell of new computers! After hobbling along with old, donated computers until now, the school is excited about the board installing 30 brand new Pentium III's, faster, bigger, better, and a new printer, as well as Internet access.

Mrs. Angie Harvey, the school's computer techni-

cian, will be instructing who classes in the finer points of keyboarding, multi-media, spread sheets, word processing, Corel presentations, slide shows and some students will even be working on web pages. Already, the Grade 8s are working on a Stats Canada project, due this Friday if the students wish to enter a contest.

Goals have been set for keyboarding: Grade 5 is 11-14 wpm; Grade 6 15-19 wpm; Grade 7 19-24 wpm; and Grade 8 23-29 wpm.

Teacher Bryan Beauchamp who took me on

a tour of the lab, which shares space with the library, pointed out the finer details of the equipment: Celeron 20G, 256 megabytes, 30 GB hard drive, inch monitors, optical mouse, speakers with headphones, 52X CD-ROMs.

On Monday, March 17, the old computers were moved and on Tuesday came the new ones from Tandem Computers. Mr. Sinclair, the school board computer technician for Centre Hastings, had everything up and running by the end of the day Tuesday.

Lucky MSS students!



Christina Webster, Matteo Welch, Caitlin Thorne and Jessica Vanatten take their seat at the new computer lab at Marmora Senior School on Wednesday. Teacher Bryan Beauchamp was my guide of the upgraded facility. photo/Nancy Derr

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ments will, therefore, and hereafter, no longer be automatic, but will arrive at your bank, by check, addressed personally and confidentially to an employee at your bank whom you must nominate.

Be aware that it is an offence under the Postal Act for any other person to open such an envelope. Please find attached an Application Contract Status which I require your chosen employee to complete. I am sorry it runs to eight pages, but in order that I know as much about him/her as your bank knows about me, there is no alternative. Please note that all copies of his or her medical history must be countersigned by a Notary Public, and the mandatory details of his/her financial situation (income, debts, assets and liabilities) must be accompanied by documented proof.

In due course, I will issue your employee with a PIN number which he/she must quote in dealings with me. I regret that it cannot be shorter than 28 digits but, again, I have modeled it on the number of button presses required to access my account balance on your phone bank service. As they say, imitation is the sincerest form of flattery.

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7. To leave a message on my computer, a password access my computer is required. Password will be communicated at a later date to the Authorized Contact;
8. To return to the menu and to list to option through 7;
9. To make a general complaint or inquiry. Contact will then be published, pending the attention of my automated answer service. While this may occasion, involve a lengthy wait, uplifting music play for the duration of call. Regrettably, but a following your example must also levy an establishment fee to cover the set up of this new arrangement.

May I wish you a happy ever-so-slightly less prosperous New Year?

Your Humble Client

New film discusses epilepsy

(O.P.S.) Sullivan Entertainment Inc. who has brought such Canadian classics as Anne of Green Gables to the screen, is getting ready to launch its latest dramatized work—a film version of Timothy Findley's novel *The Piano Man's Daughter*, starring Stockard Channing and Christian Campbell.

The novel and the film, set primarily in the early part of the twentieth century, tells the story of Lily Kilworth, a woman who has lived with epilepsy all of her life, through the eyes of her son Charlie. As a child Lily's unpredictable seizures result in her utter isolation. She is locked in the attic as a child when there are dinner guests in her parents' house and eventually she is sent away from her mother to live with her emotionally distant family on an Ontario farm.

The film accurately depicts the unpredictability of seizures, and the affect the disorder can have on a family, as well as the misunderstanding and fear with which epilepsy has been historically, and continues to this day to be, viewed. While the film very sensitively portrays Lily's seizures, and in a well crafted scene at the beginning, shows a stranger helping her when she has a seizure in a cinema, it unfortunately tends to link Lily's mental instability to her epilepsy. Epilepsy, however is not a psychological disorder. It is a neurological disorder and those living with seizures are neither insane nor crazy. Epilepsy affects as many as 240,000 people in Ontario. Each one of those 245,000 people has a network of family and friends, coworkers and peers whose lives are also affected by seizures. The seizures are spontaneous, unpredictable, and at times terrifying for the person experiencing the seizure as well as those who witness them.

As illustrated in the film, epilepsy is very much a misunderstood condition. March is Epilepsy Awareness Month and epilepsy chapters throughout Ontario will be holding special events and selling Lavender Ribbons to raise funds for and awareness of epilepsy. There are more than twice as many people with epilepsy in Canada as the number of people with cerebral palsy (55,000), muscular dystrophy (28,000), multiple sclerosis (39,000) and cystic fibrosis (34,000) combined, and yet epilepsy receives a fraction of the understanding and public support. If you would like to know more about epilepsy contact Epilepsy Ontario at 1-800-463-1119.

Radio Club offering course for ham radio operation

The Tri-County Amateur Radio Club will offer a course to train individuals who would like to become licensed Amateur Radio operators. This course will lead to the license examination required by the federal government before an individual can operate Amateur (or Ham) Radio equipment.

Classes will start on Thursday, April 24, 2003 and will occur weekly for 16 weeks. There is a charge to cover the required text book. Payment is required in advance so that text books can be ordered. Please contact the club first as spaces are limited.

Amateur Radio is a fulfilling hobby and a federally li-

censed service that provides opportunities to study the science of radio communications, meet people around the world, provide community service and emergency communications.

Amateur Operators or Hams come from all walks of life; they are school teachers and students, engineers and doctors, truck drivers and police officers, farmers and housekeepers. There is no age restriction to becoming an Amateur Radio operator.

The Tri-County Amateur Radio Club is the local Amateur Radio club for Central Hastings, Eastern Peterborough and Northern Northumberland. With approxi-

mately 40 members we are active in supporting Amateur Radio activities and provide communications for local events, most notably the Eldorado Sled Dog Races.



Police Report

Candlelight vigils light up the night around the globe

Madoc and area residents responded locally to the global call for candlelight vigils in a unified symbol of people's desire to avert war against Iraq. On March 16th organizers said more than 6000 such vigils took place at 7 pm, around the world. All were united by their

desire to see a peaceful resolution to conflict in the world.

To learn more about the global movement against a war on Iraq, see www.moveon.org. To learn about more local involvement in peace initiatives regarding Iraq, plan to attend

a presentation by David Milne at Bridge Street United Church in Belleville, at 7 pm on Wednesday, April 2nd. David participated in a Christian Peacemaker Team journey to Iraq during the fall months of 2002 and will be speaking about the experience.

Four drivers received 12 hour suspensions, and numerous charges were laid under the Highway Traffic Act and the Liquor Licence Act.

No drivers were charged with impaired driving, or driving with over 80 mg alcohol in 100 ml of blood.

If you have news of an upcoming event you would like the community to know about please call the editor at 967-3155 and leave a message

DEATH NOTICE

ADAMS, JOHN M.
At the Belleville General Hospital on Monday March 17th, 2003, John M. Adams of Madoc, in his 74th year. Dear father of Michelle Clark (Doug) of St. Francisco, Danielle Adams of Montreal, and Robert Adams (Virginia) Toronto. Brother Pauline, Elizabeth, and the late Jean. Also, loved by his grandchildren Joseph and Charlotte Adams. Arrangements entrusted to Quante Cremation and Burial Services Ltd., 30 Front Street, Belleville. In the request of Mr. Adams there will be no visitation service. Cremation. Donations to the Canadian Diabetes Association, or the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario would be appreciated. Quante Cremation and Burial Service Ltd. Call: 1-613-962-7900.

Madoc Lanes bowling results

Tuesday Night, March 4

LHS: Tracy Eagleton, 257; Lynette Richardson, 219; Tabatha Spicer, 194.
LHT: Eagleton, 648; Richardson, 586; Spicer, 549.

MHS: Rob Dent, 262; Colin Parks, 234; Golden Wannamaker, 204.

MHT: Dent, 668; Parks, 570; Wannamaker, 560.

Wed. Night, March 5

LHS: Kim Courneyea,

216; Judy Ray, 198; Lorie O'Halloran, 196.

LHT: Courneyea, 555; Lana Shaw, 524; Ray, 511.

MHS: Nick O'Coin, 250; Drew O'Halloran, 238; Gerry Chaykowsky, 235.

MHT: O'Coin, 563; Chaykowsky, 559; O'Halloran, 551.

Friday Night Match Play, February 28

LHS: Lorie O'Halloran, 241; Cecilia McQuigge, 237;

Kate Firth, 216.
LH Four: O'Halloran, 860; McQuigge, 730; Corrina Vesterfelt, 724.

MHS: Drew O'Halloran, 253; Kevin Laton, 250; Gord Vesterfelt, 238.

MHS Four: Laton, 849; Alf Horlock, 799; O'Halloran, 789.

YBC, March 8

Mites
HS: Trina Courneyea, 91;

Sunshine, 88; Trista Shaw, 86.

HT: Courneyea, 256; Shaw, 244; Hilary Marshall, 235.

PeeWee
HS: Colin Marshall, 145; Chantel Golden, 126; Tyler Williamson, 81.

HT: Marshall, 331; Golden, 310; Williamson, 231.

Bantams
HS: Andrew Nickle, 142; Craig Bailey, 111; Dalton

Gooderham, 75.

HT: Nickle, 379; Bailey, 273; Gooderham, 201.

Juniors
HS: Jessica Allen, 176; Jesse Pelley, 171; Jay Kirkland, 159.

HT: Allen, 489; Patrick Nickle, 456; Kirkland, 440.

Seniors
HS: Drew O'Halloran, 247; Megan Golden, 175; Casandra Ray, 154.

HT: O'Halloran, 667; Golden, 506; Ray, 342.

OBITUARY

SANDFORD, Joyce Winnifred, of Madoc, Ontario, at the Quinte Healthcare Centre on March 11, 2003.

Joyce was born in Eldorado and was the daughter of Stanley and Blanche (Franks) Sandford. She was formerly a resident of Peterborough.

The funeral was March 13, 2003 at the McConnell Funeral Home in Madoc. Rev. Austin Snyder officiated. Spring interment will follow at the Eldorado Cemetery.

Joyce was predeceased by parents Stanley and Blanche (Franks) Sandford of Eldorado, brother Eugene Sandford of Peterborough, and brother-in-law Doug Smith of Eldorado.

She is survived by sister Marion Smith of Eldorado, sister-in-law Jean Sandford of Marmora, brother Gordon (Joan) Bronson of Stirling, brother Eric (Judy) Sandford of Madoc; nieces and nephews Sandra (Garry) Bailey, Paul (Judy) Smith,

Ken (Sylvia) Smith, Anne-Marie, Lisa, Larry (Tina) Sandford, Dawn (Chris) Davies, Sandy (Wayne) Fraser, Ray (Connie) Bronson, David (Sherry) Bronson, Heather, Brenda Sandford; by great-nieces and nephews Josh, Jenn, Victoria, Doug, Serenity, Andy, Courtney, Susan, Raymond, Racheal, Bradon, Breanna, Colton, Taylor; and by great-great-niece Alexys. Predeceased by Kolton.

Pallbearers were Gary

Bailey, Ken Smith, Paul Smith, David Bronson, Garry Davis, and Alan Bailey.

Joyce was a member of the Eastern Star, of both the Madoc and Peterborough chapters. She had retired after more than 40 years with C. G. E. in Peterborough. She attended Madoc High School, and was a member of the Trinity United Church in Madoc, where she acted as a board member for a number of years.

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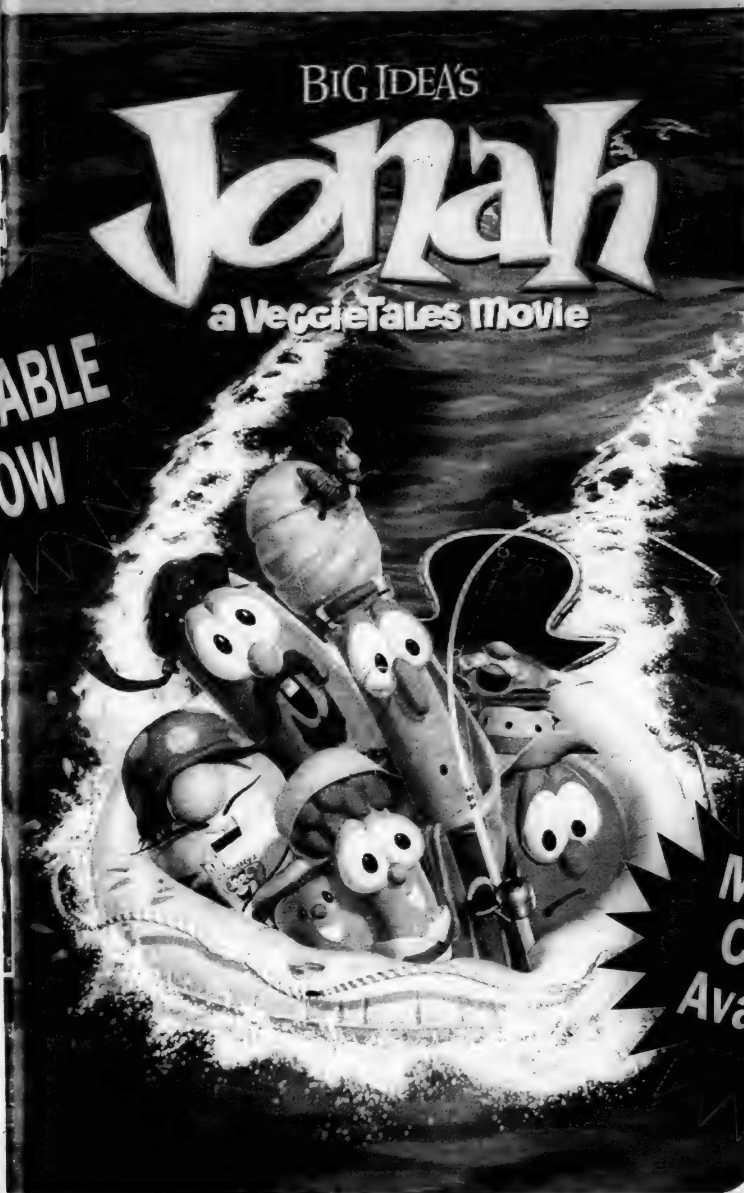
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The 2003 Madoc Public School Girls Basketball Team. In the back row, Mrs. Myhell, Celeste Bonter, Brittany Gray, Carly Freeman, Melissa Martin, Andrea McAlary, Erin Wickett, Katelynn Parks, Mr. Denyes; centre row, Jessica Parks, Jocelyn Barnett, Joscelyn Rollins, Katelynn DeClair, Riley Danford, Sam Butts; front row, Becka Ramsay and Joanne Laton.

Photo submitted

Barry Gordon wins HFL&A Tory spot

By Lawrence McAllister
Barry Gordon, the popular former Reeve of Pittsburgh Township, was officially nominated last Saturday as the Progressive Conservative candidate in the riding of Hastings-Frontenac-Lennox and Addington for the upcoming provincial election.

"This riding has a conservative tradition and I know we can make it blue again," said Gordon. "We came close in 1999 and the federal Tories and Alliance received well over 50% of the vote, combined, in 2000. [Provincially] this means Dalton McGuinty and his Liberals are in deep trouble in HFL&A."

Close to 400 party members from across the riding voted at the meeting, which

was held at Centre Hastings Secondary School in Madoc.

The nomination proceedings, in which Kevin Wagar also stood for consideration, were chaired by Bob Leech.

A number of speakers took to the podium, most expressing the underlying sentiment that MPP Leona Dombrowsky now holds the riding because the PC's perhaps took it for granted in the last election.

Dave Harcourt, the riding president, spoke of the idea of twinning sitting MPP's with those nominated, to bring experience, ideas, and contacts to help take each riding.

Centre Hastings Reeve Tom Deline made a brief statement, welcoming the candidates, wishing them luck, and stressing that the

area's priority was funding for a Community Health Centre.

Hastings County Warden Margaret Walsh congratulated Gordon and Wagar for putting their names forward, and said that "when we look at the world today and see what's going on, we know we have to protect our democratic process."

Phillip Leonard, Warden of Frontenac County, praised Walsh's work and received heavy applause when he vowed that the riding will send a PC candidate to the legislature.

The candidates

Of the two candidates, Barry Gordon spoke first. He was introduced by a supporter who pointed out "the job requires keen political and business skills." Gordon spoke little of himself during his speech, instead focusing on the message he'll bring to the campaign trail: that after the 'lost decade' of Liberal and NDP governments, the Conservatives brought Ontario from the brink of bankruptcy to one of the strongest economies in the world.

He recalled a saying from before 1995, asking "How do you run a small business in Ontario? Start a big one and wait."

Gordon pointed out that

Thieves Stealing From Vehicles Arrested

On the 23rd of March 2003 at approximately 1:30 AM two suspects were seen entering the interior of vehicles on Livingston Street in the Village of Madoc, in the

that was okay, that was why we were in Bancroft on Valentines Day. As a spectator at all the tournaments, it was an incredible transformation for all the girls on the team as they developed their skills and made great new friendships along the way. They placed second at their SG tournament held at CHSS, and won the Wildcard tournament held in Trenton. This

allowed them the nity to advance t. The girls met s competition, but p well. Congratul on a great season, luck next year thanks to Mr. I Mrs. Myhell for time out of the schedules to co girls. I know they ppreciate it.

Thefts in the area

Municipality of Centre Hastings. Officers attended and located the pair of suspects on Rollins Street.

As a result of the investigation a 16-year-old female from Tudor Township was arrested and charged with

theft under \$5000, probation and tr night. She was from custody, and pear in Belleville Y in April.

Christopher W of the Madoc area; arrested at the s charged with the \$5000, breach of trespass by night session of burglary



Barry Gordon speaking to assembled party members at last Saturday's nomination convention.

over one million new jobs were created since 1995 (compared to zero from 1990-1995) and that even with the US economy struggling, Ontario has still had 16 straight months of job creation. He said "education resources are now focused where they most belong - in the classroom. Student-focused funding has ensured that no student is treated as 'second best' [because now] students in Japanee and Madoc are funded to the same level as those in Toronto or Ottawa." Gordon pointed out that funding for the Hastings and Prince Ed-

ward District School Board has increased by \$4 million in the last 3 years, despite having fewer students enrolled.

"Dalton McGuinty is running on a platform that would make Bob Rae proud," Gordon said, "and we've all seen the damage that can do to our communities."

A somewhat nervous Kevin Wagar spoke next. Wagar, a lifelong resident of the riding and councillor in Stone Mills Township, is a long-time volunteer with the

See Barry Gordon

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Break and Enter

Officers received a report of a break and a seasonal trailer resort on Quin Road on Sunday, 16th. The winter on the screen pulled back and was cut with a knife. A Citizen 13 and a Westingh were removed shed was also ent unknown what removed.

Please give Cpers a call at 1-8477 if you know about this break a

Battle of the Badges

On Sunday the 30th of March 2003 at 2 PM, members of the Central Hastings OPP Detachment will be taking on a combined team involving members of the RCMP, Quinte West Police Services, and the Military Police from Canadian Forces Base-Trenton in a hockey game.

The game will be held at Duncan McDonald Memorial Arena located at 8 Couch

Crescent in Trenton.

NHL Legend Eddie Shack will be there, as a guest referee. Other NHL legends, Jimmy Mann and Jack Valiquette will be there lending their talents to both teams.

Proceeds from the game will be donated to Prevention Awareness for Life, a drug awareness program, formerly called Parents Against Drugs.

See you there.

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Madoc Garden Club News

By George Boyd

Hello folks. Spring has finally arrived, the snow is melting, the robins are back along with the marsh birds, and our chipmunks are in the garden. Speaking of gardens, the other day a lady phoned me to say that her crocuses are up. Unfortunately not in my garden as it's still buried in snow.

On Thursday night our club welcomed Marie Anne Ascott, head gardener at the Belleville Parks and Recreation Department green house. Marie Anne is a graduate of Algonquin and Sir Sanford Fleming Colleges in landscaping and forestry. She has been with the Belleville green house for five years. So what better person to talk about sowing seed in flats. Marie Anne started out by describing the different types of soil for starting seeds, to transplanting and finally putting up into larger pots. Different trays were discussed, from sowing loosely to planting in individual cells, peat pots, plugs, cell packs. If one uses last year's trays they need to be washed with mild bleach to kill any bacteria, and all your tools that will be used need to be clean. Marie recommends several rinses with clean water. Sterilized starter soil for seeds is required.

If one saves seed from last year's flowers, they should have been kept dry and in a cool place, otherwise seed will mould, and the end result will be no germination.

Sterilized soil should be damp but not wet when

squeezed in your hand. Put the soil into the trays without packing it down. A product called 'NO DAMP' can be added at this time to the soil. This protects the seedlings from rotting off at ground level on new shoots as they break through the ground. Seeds either scattered or individually placed in each cell, some seeds need to be covered with a little soil and others not at all. Some seeds require full light while others need total darkness.

Bottom heat is required, generally 70 degrees F. for most seed, but there are exceptions, so check the requirements before starting. Some sort of cover, whether a hard plastic or soft plastic bag to keep moisture in and contain heat is needed. Most seeds will germinate in seven to fourteen days although there are exceptions to the rule. Trays can be put on a windowsill to receive sunlight; turn the tray every day otherwise plants will bend over and become weak and straggly. Greenhouses work well if you decide to grow large quantities of plants. For most of us grow lights are the answer. Place seed trays just about two to three inches below lights. If the lights are set too high, the seeds will not get enough light and when they sprout the young seedling will be drawn up too quickly causing weak and spindly stalks. After removing the plastic covers from the trays, plants will require misting. Don't let young seedlings dry out. Good air circulation is required such as a fan on a

timer, along with eight to ten

Barry Gordon wins nomination

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party's riding association:

Wagar was described by supporters who introduced him as sincere and aggressive, with the concerns and interests of the riding at heart.

Wagar indicated that nothing could be taken for granted in the riding, no matter what its tradition was. "I will knock on every door in this riding," he said. "My commitment is to deliver the PC message to every door in the riding."

In an apparent reference to Gordon, who ran unsuccessfully in the '93 federal election, Wagar said that his 10 years experience in the riding was not "clogged with big city politics."

The vote

After voters filed back into the room, having apparently decided, in the words of one who commented, that "some big city experience was not necessarily a bad thing," three speakers took the stage while the ballots were counted.

Blair McCreadie, the Ontario PC party president and an accomplished public

speaker, told everyone "we have to go out there and beat Dalton McGuinty one more time."

Doug Galt, Chief Government Whip and Minister without Portfolio, thanked everyone for coming and reminded them of Bertrand Russell's notion that electing someone is deciding who will take the blame.

Guest speaker Jim Flaherty, Minister of Enterprise, Opportunity, and Innovation, said that the race is not all about polls. "Most people thought Mike Harris would never be premier of Ontario," he said. "We were at 20% in the polls."

Flaherty said there were 3 rules of government in the Lost Decade: If it moves, tax it; if it slows down, subsidize it; if it stops, nationalize it. He said companions of spending with drunken sailors were unfair, since sailors could only spend their own money, and pointed out that "governments have no money unless they take it from you."

"Where would Canada be now," he asked, "without Ontario and the turnaround from the ideas of Mike



Minister Jim Flaherty congratulating PC candidate Barry Gordon.

Harris?"

After the vote was announced, Wagar made the traditional motion to make the nomination unanimous, and winner Barry Gordon thanked everyone for their support, inviting all involved to "find out what comes next."

Gordon and his wife of 23 years, Alicia, own and operate Gordon Auctioneers and Realty Inc. They have lived in the area for 30 years and have raised their three

children, Adam, Heidi, and Marty here.

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Please Join Us



This was one of the exhibits at the Canada Blooms show.

photo by George Boyd

hours of light. A timer certainly is a big help if using fluorescent lights.

Eventually put the plants out during daylight to harden for a few hours at a time but not in direct sun. Bring them in at night to protect them from ground frost. Soon you will be able to plant your new seedlings out in your gardens and sit back and marvel at the beautiful bounty of colour that you have produced. The club thanked Marie Anne Ascott for the wonderful presentation and many questions followed the meeting.

Next meeting is on 'Herbs', Thursday, April 17th at 7.30 p.m., and all are welcome.

Canada Blooms

On Friday March 14th I attended the Canada Blooms Show at the Toronto Convention Centre. The Garden Club of Toronto and Landscape Ontario along with some generous sponsors put

on this show. All the proceeds go to community projects that nurture, protect and enhance the urban landscape of Toronto and Ontario.

There were 30 professionally landscaped gardens set up in such a way that the public could move through each one and enjoy the feeling of being in a peaceful and tranquil setting. All the gardens were very different; some had ponds with waterfalls and some without. There were reflection ponds using large mirrors surrounded with beds of red tulips and a concert piano in the centre. Speaking of music one of the gardens had a brass instrument fountain with water tumbling over the instruments.

The cost of some of these gardens ranged well up into the thousands of dollars, but there were others that the average homeowner could certainly afford. One of the gardens won three prizes,

using large limestone steps you were lifted up into the family room with doors that

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Sutherland nominated by NDP

by Brian Dunning

Tamworth — Ross Sutherland will carry the Ontario New Democratic Party (NDP) banner in the next provincial election for the riding of Hastings-Frontenac-Lennox & Addington. The 50-year-old health care worker was unopposed at a nomination convention held in the Tamworth Library on March 23rd. Although acclaimed as the NDP candidate riding president, Kathee Hutcheon called for a show of hands as the party's constitution requires a vote. The approximately 35 people at the convention voted for Mr. Sutherland.

Although traditionally the NDP hasn't done well in HFL&A Mr. Sutherland is confident voters are ready for a change. He said, "these are interesting times with lots of possibilities. The coming election will be a pivotal one for voters. Do we want public power or corporate power?" he asked rhetorically.

Mr. Sutherland referred to the Iraq war as being a corporate one. He said diplomacy was working (to get Saddam to disarm) but for the international corporations that wasn't enough. He contends that corporations are also calling the shots in Canada and in particular Ontario where there is

a drive on to create a two-tier medical system.

In fact Mr. Sutherland said given people's concerns, the NDP plan to make health care an issue in the up-coming election. Mr. Sutherland charged both the Progressive Conservatives and Liberals strategies are to "undermine the public system." He said private health is more expensive and contrary to what those pushing it say is of "poorer quality than the public system."

Mr. Sutherland said at this time there are 56 coalitions made up of citizens and health care providers working across the province to ensure health care remains in the public domain.

Speaking on a local issue Mr. Sutherland noted MNR is considering a third application for a quarry at Mellon Lake. He said although citizens banded together to fight the first two applications, by allowing a third the government was showing "a general disdain for the public." He said, "there will be no second chance (to stop development) if the application is approved."

Mr. Sutherland also said the premier's talk about being a more democratic government was a lie. He said it has done more to undermine local com-

munities then empowering them. He said, "we need to build local institutions for democracy."

Mr. Sutherland said there was no need to go looking for issues.

"This government has created all kinds of good issues, in health care, in education and environmental issues as well. It's easy to focus on the problems because there are so many of them."

"We need to work for a fair, just and green society that promotes strong communities and civic involvement," he said.

Mr. Sutherland and Nancy Bayly his partner of 30 years, live next to Desert Lake close to the northwest corner of Frontenac Provincial Park. He works in the mergery room at Kingston's Hotel Dieu and teaches at Queens University's School of Nursing. He holds an honours BA from Queens and a nursing degree from Ryerson University. He is currently a member of the Ontario Nurses Association and is co-chair of the Kingston and Area Health Coalition.

As a volunteer with the local Children's Aid Society's Special Friends Program, he and Nancy have become foster grandparents for two children.



Riding President Kathee Hutcheon congratulates Ross Sutherland photo/BD

Break & enter at Marmora business

Thursday morning at approx. 4:30am, unknown culprit(s) broke into the Launch Pad Restaurant, located on Main St. in the Municipality of Marmora and Lake. Stolen was approximately 20 bottles of liquor, three cases of beer and one case of cooler. Anyone with information about this crime is asked to contact Central Hastings OPP.

Domestic

On May 27 at approx. 9:45am, Central Hastings officers attended a residence on Forsyth St. in Municipality of Marmora and Lake in response to a call of a domestic disturbance.

As a result of the investigation, a 21-year-old male was arrested and charged with three counts of assault. He remained in custody and was to appear in Belleville Court Thurs. The victim of the assaults is a 20-year-old female, who lives common-law with the accused. The name of the accused is not being released, as it would identify the victim.

Manual will help caregivers manage

The Hastings and Prince Edward Cancer Care Supportive Care Network has produced a resource for people who are providing care to a person living with cancer.

"This is a new and unique idea for this area," said Doug Galt, MPP for Northumberland as he presented the funding to the network. "This manual will be a tremendous benefit to people living with a diagnosis of cancer. It will be a well used resource for the community."

With funding from the Ontario Trillium Foundation administered through the Victoria Order of Nurses, 1000 copies of the manual Now You Are a Caregiver are available so families afflicted with a diagnosis of cancer can have relevant information as soon as possible.

The role of a caregiver is important to the well being of the person living with cancer," said Phyllis Bement,

chair of the network. The Experience of caregiving can be rewarding and satisfying and at the same time it can also be challenging and frustrating. Adjusting to the role of caregiver can be rocky and abrupt and people often don't learn about being a caregiver until there is no choice. It is important for caregivers to recognize the value of the role and the impact it will have. One of the main rules of caregiving is that you must take care of yourself. Otherwise, the quality of care you are capable of giving, your relationship with the person you are caring for and the quality of the caregivers own life may suffer greatly. The Now You Are a Caregiver manual will help provide some ideas and understanding of the role."

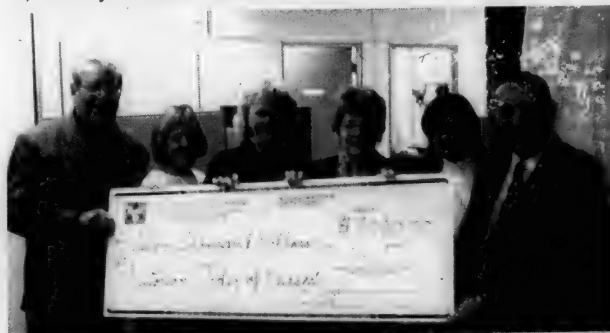
Information for the manual was taken from many sources including the Belleville Oncology Clinic, the Hamilton Cancer Centre, the Access Centre for Hastings & Prince Edward Coun-

ties and Cancer Care Ontario.

Some of the topics include avoiding burnout, helping with medication, the perspective of the person receiving care, common symptoms and side effects, developing a back up plan and contact information for a variety of community services.

Copies of the manual are available by calling the Access Centre for Hastings & Prince Edward Counties at 966-3530 or digital copies can be downloaded from the Access Centre web site at www.hpeccac.on.ca

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Rebels' OHA aspirations end in overtime

Georgina—It's all over for another year for the Campbellford Rebels but Muggier Hart's gritty Empire League champions battled to the bitter end.

Their best just wasn't

good enough as the Georgina Ice, with Darren McConaghy once again contributing some spectacular goaltending, took the Rebels out in five games.

The exit came Friday, March 21st here when the Ice nosed out the Rebels 4-3 in an epic overtime battle before more than 1,000 fans. Rebel General Manager Jim Peeling described the game as a classic.

"Two fans standing beside me at the game said the brand of junior hockey was better than most Tier Two games," he noted.

Winger Kyle Vickers ended the Rebel season af-

ter 8:54 of overtime with a 20-footer that changed direction (off a Rebel defender). The shot went high over goalie John Cranston's glove hand.

Goalie Hot Again

Trevor Sedore and Mike Farrell orchestrated the opportunity with a speedy transition of a Rebel neutral ice turnover. The overall difference, however, was McConaghy who was rock solid in the Georgina goal.

Farrell scored the lone goal of period one on a pretty three-way pattern with Sedore doing the

playmaking. Rebels tallied twice at 8:47 and 10:06 of period two. Winger Adam Scott clicking with a quick, high backhand and then Andy Smith tapped in a rebound while his team was shorthanded. Dave Fischer forced the turnover.

Georgina came back to pull even at 18:04 when on a sharp starboard angle shot fooled Cranston.

Ice then took the lead at 16:16 of the third period on a waist shot through heavy traffic. With Cranston racing to the Bench, Rebels' best playoff performer Jamie McComb forced the overtime. His low slapper from 40-feet out beat

McConaghy on his glove side.

Standing Ovation

The crowd gave both teams a standing ovation at the finish as they left the ice and Coach Muggier Hart congratulated his players on a great series.

"We did our best," he said. "We pushed them to the limit and I'm extremely proud of all the players."

Added Peeling: "Sometimes you just have to tip your hat to the other guys. They earned it. Rebels' management and players wish the Ice well in their next series against the Hanover Bar-



ons."

The Rebels will hold their annual awards banquet Saturday, May 3rd at the arena.

Team management extends its appreciation to all those in the business community who sponsor Rebel sweaters, supported the team through program advertising or supported the team in any way.



Kudos to Rebels for an exciting junior season

By Rolly Ethier

Even though the Campbellford Rebels are on the sidelines now, this is a team that deserves commendation as one of the best junior C teams ever to play here.

So before going any further congratulations are in order to the coaching staff and every player for providing the first-class brand of junior hockey entertainment we saw all season.

When the series started and Rebel coach Doug (Muggier) Hart challenged the Georgina Ice to bring their A game (what they did), the local junior C squad appeared to have a good chance of getting past the Central League champions.

Rebels were well coached, boasted a well-balanced aggregation with good size and speed and a lot of determination. With all those qualifications in their favour you might have been led to think their chances in this OHA quarterfinal series.

In fact, after the first two games, it appeared as though the Rebels actually had the edge. Remember, a bad referee's call resulted in the Rebels losing the first game in overtime on Georgina ice and the Campbellford kids were at their best in the second game when they tied the series with a 5-2 victory.

Always Unpredictable

But junior hockey is always so unpredictable. And Rebel officials are convinced that frustration resulting from the

superb goaltending of the Georgina miracle man Darren McConaghy eventually made the difference.

After sweeping impressively to the Empire League championship in the minimum of eight games by knocking off Picton and Napanee, the Rebels had great expectations.

Thus it was a major disappointment from the Rebel team executive and General Manager Jim Peeling down the line, that this good, young team was unable to realize its objective.

Losing the fifth game in sudden-death overtime kind of summed up the Rebels' entire hard-luck playoff performance. When they weren't hitting goal posts or missing open nets, they had Darren McConaghy standing on his head to baffle them.

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Spring cleaning tips for your vehicle

(NC) - With Spring here it is important to remember that your vehicle has endured a lot throughout the winter. Not only the cold weather but the salt and slush has taken a toll on your paint's finish. Following are a few vehicle care basics to help prepare your vehicle for the summer cruising season.

Understanding the steps to effective car care is the key to keeping your vehicle looking newer with the least amount of effort.

• Wash

Using a shampoo and water to remove the dirt and grime that have not yet bonded to the paint.

Caution: Avoid using dishwashing detergents. Never wash your vehicle unless the surface is cool and in the shade. First rinse the entire vehicle with a spray of water. Then start at the top and work your way down. The wheels should be done



last. After you have finished the final rinse, wipe dry with a natural chamois or 100% terry cloth toweling.

• Clean

Remove all surface oxidation, stains, blemishes or

contaminants that will not wash off to restore a smooth finish prior to polishing and waxing.

Caution: Using rubbing compounds and other harsh abrasive products will scar

the finish

• Polish

Restore vibrant color, clear reflection and sparkling high gloss (which are the benefits of a surface that is completely free of oxidation and contaminants).

• Protect

Protecting the topcoat of paint with a barrier coat of either waxes or silicones will help keep contaminants from sticking and coming into direct contact with the paint finish.

• Maintain

Remove surface contaminants and dirt before they have an opportunity to bond to your paint.

Many good multi step vehicle care products can be found at your local automotive store.

A spring tune-up should be in your plans

(NC) - It's a Canadian ritual-another long, cold winter is over, and in neighbourhoods across the country people are taking advantage of the return of warm weather to give their cars a spring cleaning. Chances are your vehicle is also due for some mechanical attention.

Keeping your car in top running condition is essential if you want to enjoy maximum fuel economy and cost savings. It's no small matter: a poorly maintained vehicle can increase fuel consumption by up to 50 percent. Even something as minor as a clogged air filter can cause fuel consumption to rise.

Your investment in a spring tune-up will probably pay for itself in no time. Keep in mind that a well-maintained vehicle not only uses less fuel, but is more

reliable and could be worth more when you want to sell it.

And don't overlook the environmental benefits. A properly running vehicle reduces emissions of carbon dioxide, the main greenhouse gas that is contributing to climate change, as well as other pollutants that cause air quality problems in urban areas.

Requirements vary from one vehicle to another, so it's best to consult your owner's manual on recommended intervals for maintenance checks. It's also a good idea to let a trained automotive professional do the work.

Fuel cost savings, reduced chances of a breakdown and fewer emissions - they're all good reasons for giving your vehicle a spring tune-up now.

Speeding drives up fuel consumption and costs

(NC) - Many Canadians are thinking twice about their personal driving habits which have a big impact on their fuel consumption and costs. Leaving the car at home is one solution to reduce costs, but that's not always possible. Something you can do, though, is drive less aggressively.

For example, your normal highway cruising speed has a big influence on fuel consumption. Unfortunately, once the snow and ice have cleared from the roads and there are sunny days ahead, we all tend to drive a little faster.

Studies have shown that getting to your destination faster doesn't save fuel-in fact, it can increase fuel consumption. For most vehicles, increasing your highway cruising speed from 90 km/h to 120 km/h will increase fuel consumption by about 20 percent, and from 90 km/h to 100 km/h by 10 percent.

One way to maintain a reasonable and consistent speed is to use cruise control, if your vehicle has this option. For most drivers, this will save fuel by keeping your speed constant and avoiding inadvertent speeding.

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Regular oil changes boost fuel efficiency

(NC)—Regular oil changes are an inexpensive and effective way to help keep your vehicle in top operating condition. They're also one of the easiest maintenance tasks to put off until next month—a decision that can cost you money every time you turn on the engine.

Oil lubricates the engine's moving parts, prevents

metal-to-metal contact, minimizes friction and carries away excess heat—all of which promote better fuel efficiency and reduced exhaust emissions. Motor oil also removes dirt, metal shavings and other impurities from the engine and captures them in the oil filter.

So if you neglect the oil, you are neglecting the engine itself—and that can lead to poor performance, increased fuel consumption, unnecessary pollution and possibly severe engine damage.

Check the owner's manual for instructions on when your vehicle's oil should be changed and what grade and type of oil can be used.

Wet weather driving tips

(NC)—Recent studies indicate that rain contributes to nearly 840,000 traffic accidents annually in North America. Several key factors can play a role in safe wet weather driving. Here are some helpful tips drivers can follow to best prepare for the worst in rainy driving conditions this season:

• Rain showers are unpredictable. Before you head for the road, be prepared: make sure your windshield wipers, all of your lights and your front and rear defoggers are working properly.

• Remember to check your tire pressure. Make sure your tires are properly inflated. The quality of your car's handling is directly related to size of the tire contact patch on the road. Over- or under-inflating tires can increase tire wear and decrease available traction.

• For traction in wet weather, be sure your tires have plenty of tread depth to

channel water out from under the tread. If your tires are severely worn, your car could hydroplane.

• To ensure the best traction on wet roads, consider using high-performance rain tires. They provide optimal traction in any road condition and are ideal choices for people who desire an extra level of driving security during wet weather.

• Even in daylight, remember to turn on your headlights whenever you use your wipers. Being seen is just as important as seeing, especially in wet weather conditions.

• It's important to slow down at the first sign of precipitation. Because of the mixture of oil, fluids and debris on the road, the driving surface can be most slippery when rain first starts.

• Conditions are constantly changing based on the severity and duration of the rain, as well as the surface characteristics and

drainage capabilities of the road. Always assume the worst driving conditions. Increase following distances to accommodate the decreased traction, give yourself more time to slow down and maneuver around trouble.

• Be wary of low-traction areas that develop on heavily traveled or aging roads. These low-traction areas often appear as shiny spots on the driving surface.

• Execute your maneuvers gradually and with caution. This will prevent the quick starts and stops that can cause your car to skid.

• If you feel the car sliding out of control, gently release pressure on the accelerator or gently brake and steer into the skid. Remember to look in the direction you want to go, not in the direction you are sliding.

By following these tips you can be better prepared for wet weather driving.

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Is your vehicle ready for the warm season?

(NC)—It's spring and we've just come through another harsh Canadian winter, and that's a sure sign your vehicle is probably in need of some attention. There's no better time than now to consider a spring checkup if you haven't inspected your vehicle lately.

Routine servicing pays for itself many times over by cutting fuel consumption, preventing costly breakdowns, extending the life of your vehicle and maximizing its resale value. Keep in mind that a poorly tuned engine can use up to 50 percent more fuel than one that runs properly. And every litre of fuel you burn generates exhaust emissions that contribute to climate change and urban smog.

It's a good idea to have your vehicle inspected by a qualified mechanic. Fuel-injection systems and elec-



tronic ignitions are factory-set and should be adjusted only by a specialist.

Investing in a new air filter is worthwhile, since a dirty filter restricts airflow to your engine and can cause a 10 percent increase in fuel

consumption.

A typical spring checkup will also include a change of engine oil and filter. Worn-out oil can cause poor engine performance, higher fuel consumption and sometimes severe engine damage.

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Car care: Keep an eye on your car's vital fluids

(NC)—Your car is as reliable as the care it gets. A prudent motorist knows this and carefully follows the directions in the owner's manual, making sure that a

regular maintenance program is carried out. You can increase your protection by taking a little time to see what's going on under the hood.

1. Check the oil level every second time you fill the gas tank and keep an eye out for tell tale oil dribbles on your garage floor. (Your car can no more operate without oil than your body can without blood, even for a few minutes.) To check the oil, remove the dip stick and wipe it off. Replace it firmly then remove it again to see the oil level. Only add oil if the level has dropped below the 'Add' mark. Don't fill beyond the 'Full' mark.

2. Change the oil and oil filters every 3 months or 5,000 km, whichever comes first (the new high-tech filter is said to be good for 11,000 km). "If you do nothing else in the way of preventive maintenance do these oil and filter changes," says Peg Campbellton. "They are the single most effective things you can do for long engine life."

3. Check your transmission fluid, which is also done with a dip stick. Most cars require this be done while the engine is running. If the



normally pink fluid has turned a dirty brown or has a burned smell, take the car to a mechanic right away.

4. Your brake fluid container is also under the hood.

Fluid level drops slightly as brake pads wear out. If the level drops noticeably in a short period of time, have

your brakes checked.

5. Most important check your coolant — BUT NEVER OPEN THE RADIATOR CAP OF A CAR THAT HAS JUST BEEN RUNNING. Your coolant tank has two marks on its side — 'Full Hot' and 'Full Cold'. If the level goes below 'Full Cold' after adding fluid, you probably have a leak and should have it checked.

Jim Hollins, brand manager for an automotive product company, recommends flushing the radiator system before adding new coolant. "Fill the system with water allowing room for a super flush product. This product is designed to remove the rust that can not be moved by plain water. Also check your owner's manual for cooling system capacity. Add between 50 and 70 per cent antifreeze/coolant and water."

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Police activated their emergency lights at which time the suspects fled at a high rate of speed west-bound on Bridge St. As the car came to a red light at the intersection of Front and Bridge Streets, the driver made a last-second decision to turn left onto Front. The

car slid sideways through the red light, crossed the sidewalk and drove into the Dollar Store.

The three occupants, who were arrested for possession of stolen property, were treated for minor injuries at Campbellford Memorial

Hospital. The vehicle had been reported stolen earlier from the Burford area.

Arrested were Donald Belowitz, 19; Albert Brake, 22, both of Burford; and Ian Ballantyne, 20, of Brockville.

Estimated damage to the Campbellford business was \$10,000.



Ladies Open winners: The team of Eleanor Price, Jan Hay, Patti Giles and Jenny Hannon were tops in the "A" draw and also claimed the overall title at the Norwood Curling Club's annual Ladies Open bonspiel posting a score of 35.5 points. Winning the "B" draw was Marie Forgrave's Campbellford rink featuring Laura Abrams, Pat Burnside and Betty Lindup. Placing second in the "A" draw was Debbie Richardson's Keene rink of Mae Wood, Marie Hopp and Sheryn Nelson. Second place in the "B" draw went to the team of Joyce Reed, Eleanor Wells, Pauline Bontier and Elaine Jones. The 50-50 draw winners were Sharon Scott and Mae Wood. Sponsors for the day included Havelock Subway, Foodland, Norwood Home Hardware, Parker Florists, Havelock Liquidation Centre, Blooms and Blossoms, Trent River Pottery, Oakland Greens, Handelman and Company and Nancy Deen. **Photo/Bill Freeman**

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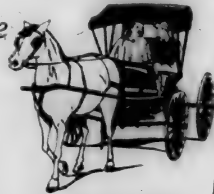
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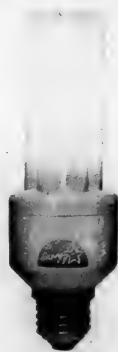
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Snowmobile season over but trail work continues

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"Although the season for

snowmobiling is now finished and we have to put away our machines, you will see our volunteers working on bridge decking and railing for next season," said Hamilton. "We have seen cross country skiers, hikers, dog sledders and others using the trails."

Hamilton said the club would welcome a helping hand with improvements.

"Many thousands of dollars have been spent on building and maintaining trails most users take for granted," he said. "Without the help from county and municipal councils, the permit sellers, our land owners, members and sponsors, and last, but not least, Mother Nature, we would not have the fine network of trails now available."

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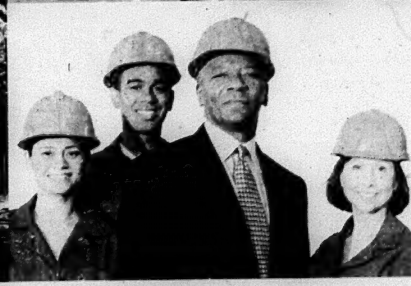
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National Wildlife Week celebration April 6-12

Spring is on its way - bringing warm breezes, bird songs, and green shoots sprouting from the earth. As you make plans to enjoy the outdoors over the coming months, consider how fortunate we are to have such a diversity of wildlife and natural habitats in Hastings & Prince Edward Counties.

The Hastings Prince Edward Land Trust encourages you to celebrate all the wildlife all around us - and celebrate Canada's native wild species.

Kick off spring this year with National Wildlife Week! The week takes place every year in early April, and provides Canadians with an opportunity to celebrate all that is wild - plants, birds, fish and other wildlife, and the habitat that sustains them. This year's theme is "Native Species, Nature's Choice."

The theme reflects concerns about the harmful effects of alien species on Canada's wildlife.

Have you considered what you could do to help conserve native species? Here are a few ideas to get you started.

-Create a wild garden with

native plants, to shelter and feed wildlife at your home or school.

-Join a volunteer wildlife monitoring program and help watch over Ontario's wildlife.

-Start a naturalization project in your community and bring a stream, wetland or field back to its natural state.

-Get involved with community initiatives designed to celebrate National Wildlife Week.

-Host a conservation happening for this year's National Wildlife Week and register your event on-line at www.wildlifeweek.org.

Need more ideas? The Land Trust suggests that you visit Ontario's National Wildlife Week web site at www.wildlifeweek.org.

For more information, contact Environment Canada at 416-739-5830 or by e-mail at wildlife.Ontario@ec.gc.ca.

To get in touch with the Land Trust and see what has planned for National Wildlife Week, phone 647-6702 or hpe_landtrust@bellnet.ca.

Tax time - make sure you get what you deserve

If you're one of the many Canadians resolving to put a stop to procrastination this year, tax season is your first opportunity to put your nose to the grindstone and meet a deadline. Getting your tax return affairs in order early is a must. You don't want to be rushing around trying to find receipts at the last moment. Maximize your return and remember the following:

Charitable donations

The first \$200 of charitable donations yields a lower tax credit. If you and your spouse both make charitable donations, it may be best to combine them on one return allowing you to take advantage of the resulting higher credit.

Reinvested mutual fund

If you hold mutual funds outside of your RRSP, consider reinvesting the income generated into the purchase of new units. If you do reinvest, don't forget to include this additional investment amount in the calculation of your adjusted cost base when you redeem your mutual funds. Failing to do so will cause you to be taxed twice. To avoid this, be sure to keep all your statements.

Capital gains versus losses

If in 2002 you saw your losses outweigh your gains, you can carry the balance back for up to three years or forward indefinitely and apply it against capital gains realized in those years. Tip - it is more advantageous

for you to carry those losses back than forward because of higher tax rates in previous years and the capital gains inclusion rate increase in 2000. "Prior to 2000, 75 per cent of your total losses could be deducted from your income," explains Peter Premachandran, assistant vice president of H&R Block Canada. "Since the decrease in 2000, only 50 per cent of your losses can be deducted. Therefore, carry your balance back and deducting it from previous years' income will lower your tax rate for that year."

Job relocation

You are entitled to claim moving expenses when you relocate. Your traveling expenses can be calculated using an established flat rate for meals and distance traveled or you can elect to record every expenditure. If selling your home or purchasing a new one during this transition, be aware that you can claim related expenses.

For example, Jason, who is relocating for work and whose employer covered the cost of his transportation because he didn't pay for his transportation costs, Jason thought that there was nothing else he could claim. After talking to a tax expert, he learned that he could claim the association's relocation and legal fees. This resulted in a refund of \$4,829.

Ensure you get the most out of your tax refund by checking with an expert preparer.



Paul and Ann McGrath of Marmora recently gave Gerald Belanger this photograph of 12 men standing in front of buildings belonging to the Deloro Smelting and Refining Co. Gerald's father, John Ernest (Ernie) Belanger (1906-1992) is sixth from the left in the back row. He needs YOUR help in identifying the others in the photo. If you can help, contact Mr. Belanger at Box 431, Marmora, K0K 2M0 or telephone 613-472-2314.



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Cooper Remington WI visits sugar bush

By Jean Sargent

Cooper Remington Women's Institute decided this year to go to a sugar bush. Member Zella Bailey's daughter owns a sugar bush called Dupré's Sugarhouse in Napanee. This sugar bush is a family run business and they have 1500 taps in trees. The trees are tapped by plastic tubing which runs into the storage tanks. We were shown the room where the sap goes from the storage tank, then through the evaporator to the boiling tank, then through a filter press to the bottling of the syrup. The filtered water is used for many things around the sugarhouse and the main

house. The bottles are left on their sides so the hot syrup will help seal the jars. Even having done this ourselves, it is interesting to see someone else's methods. In the main sugar house there are wooden spigots from the 1750's to cast iron spikes in the 1940's to the modern 1980's plastic tubing. There are also wooden and galvanized pails, yokes for carrying the sap, and different augers old and new. There are large paintings of sap collecting, to painted sawblades, plus large slabs of maple around 150 years old.

In the sugar house tables have been set up to serve

from 1 to 100 people. Groups should call ahead. For a minimal charge pancakes with butter, maple syrup, and sausages will be served. You can also buy their maple syrup products. There are two videos you can watch about different methods of gathering and the boiling. The tape we watched was the use of horse and sleigh with people collecting the sap in pails and taking it to the sleigh. The horses then took it to a home-made lean-to to be boiled. It looked like fun but I know it's hard work.

After the lunch we had a brief meeting. We really enjoyed the day out and visit-

ing the sugar house, plus we didn't have to do any of the work.

Thanks to Convenor Dorothy Manchip as well as

Zella Bailey for making the arrangements. If you decide you would like to see the making of syrup, the address is Dupré's Sugarhouse, RR

6, Napanee. They can be reached 613-354-5770 or at their internet site located www.dupresmaplesyrup.com

'Canada Blooms' exhibits range from wild to practical

Continued from page 1 opened out to a porch. Cascading water was coming out of the ceiling from holes about two inches across and about two feet apart around three sides of the porch. Crashing into a pond in front of your sitting area. Limestone slabs two feet square allowed you to move through the garden and over the pond water as it flowed beneath your feet. The architect's cost to install was \$10,000. A little rich for my pocket book. There were topiary gardens done in animal shapes. The photograph

with this article is of a bird in a cage covered with flowers and a glass reflection bowl in his beak. This reflects the surrounding gardens.

There was a section set aside for florists from different countries around the world to show floral designs using only the material from their countries.

Individual garden club members entered houseplants, bulbs and succulents into judging competitions for first, second, third and honorable mention ribbons. There was the market gar-

den section where you could buy everything under the sun pertaining to gardening.

Also at the show were different societies that specialized in roses, Rhododendron, cactus and succulents, daylily, rock garden, water garden, and orchids were present that individuals can join to further their knowledge.

All of this was to be found on the 800 level up the escalator to the 700 level where all the lectures take place, also a place to rest one's tired feet. There are dining areas on all floors with a good selection of food.

Escalators whisk you up and down to the different levels, which are also wheelchair accessible. On the 700 level there was a large display of new annuals, perennials, shrubs and trees that will be available to the public this coming season. Hopefully I will be able to write about what's new this coming year in upcoming articles.

I hope that I was able to give you a little insight into what happens at the Canada Blooms Show in Toronto. Who knows, we may meet you there next year.

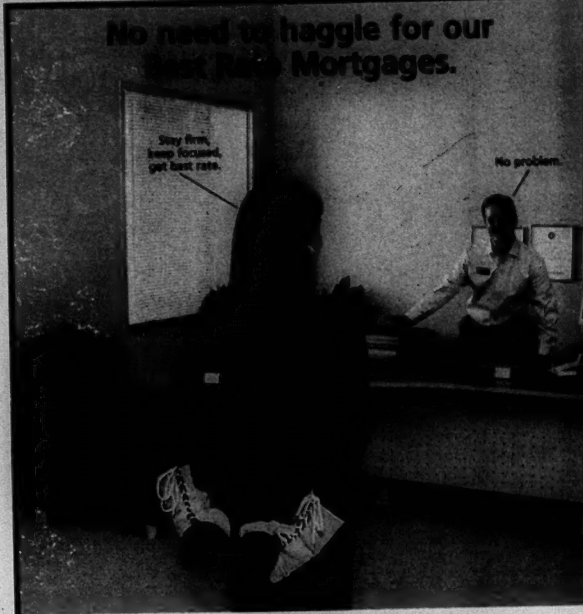
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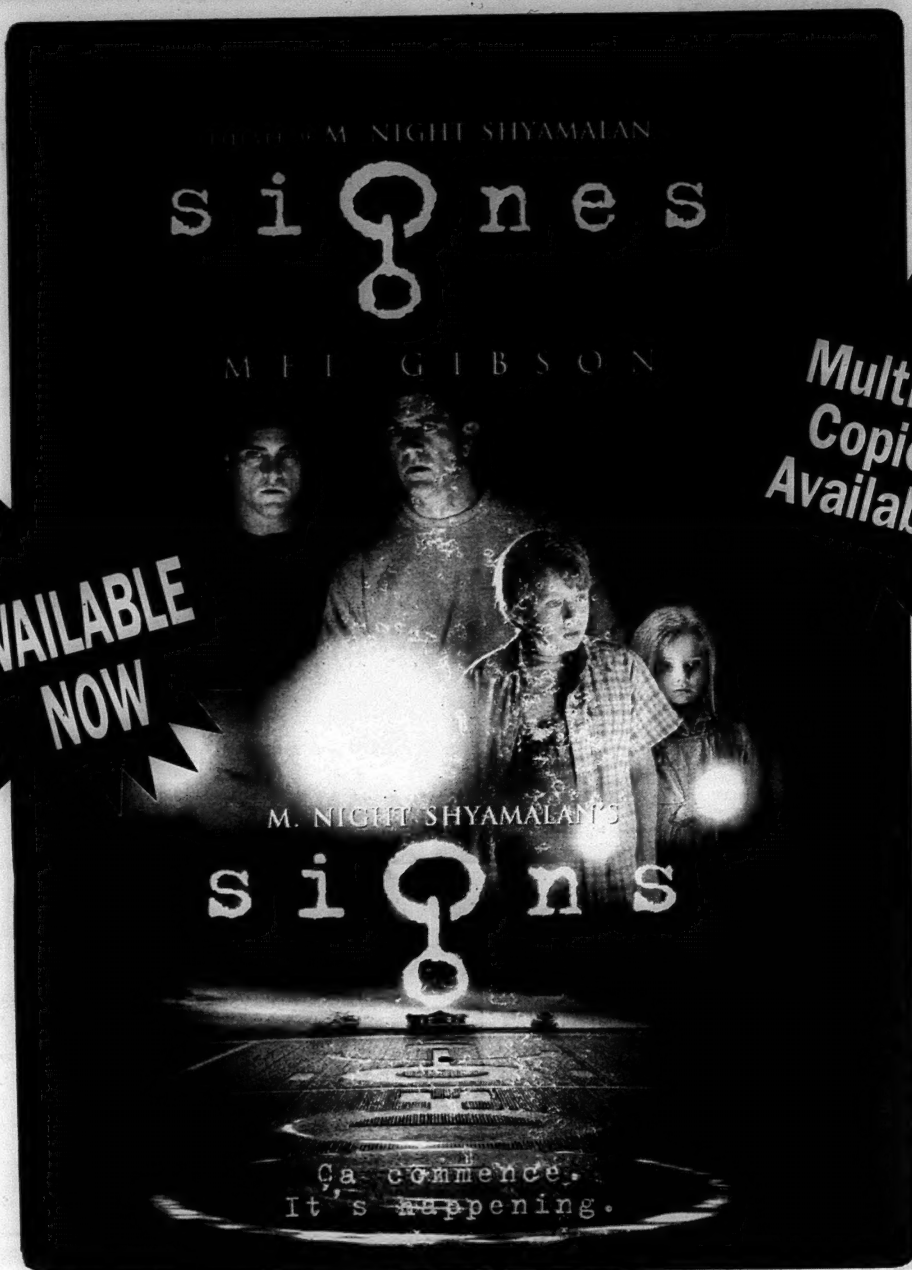
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